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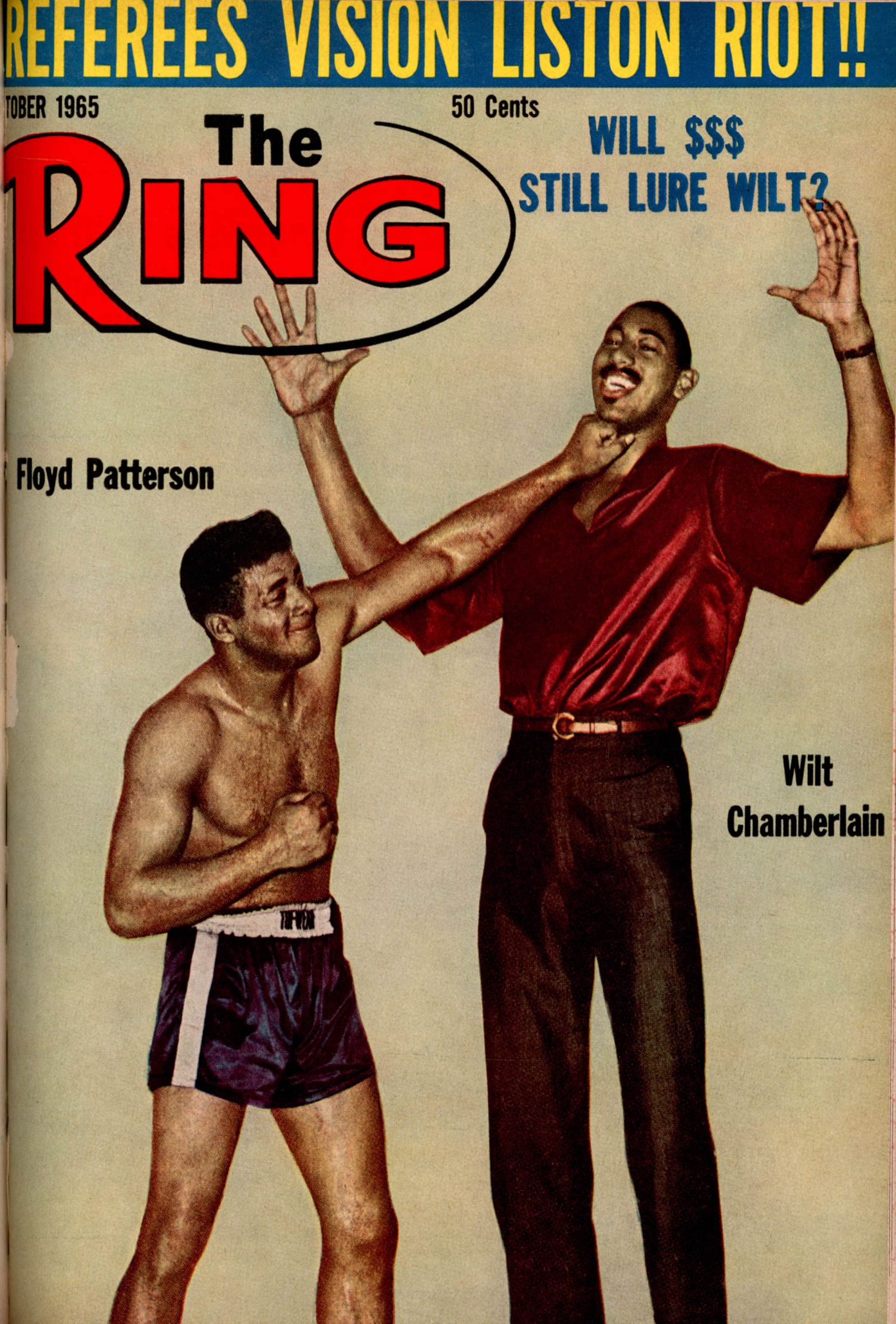

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YOUR failure to call the Liston dive against Clay a real fake has disgusted me. You people were at Lewiston and you saw what happened. You know that Clay did not hit that guy hard enough to knock him out. Why don't you recognize the fact and drive Liston out of boxing?

Thomas Begarrad
New Orleans, La.

Editor's Note: You say, "You were at Lewiston and you saw what happened." Mr. Begarrad, we assume that you were at New Orleans, and perhaps you saw a closed circuit TV showing. Please believe us. If we had any grounds for hollering "fake" and chasing Liston into retirement we would do so. Liston was knocked out, an old man disintegrating as a fighter.

Let me congratulate The Ring for its firm stand in regard to the knockout of Liston by Clay. I was there. I saw an old boxer, over-rated on the basis of two fast kayos over a stupid opponent, knocked down and out. The vast majority of the squawkers don't like Cassius. Many were disappointed in that the contest ended so quickly at Lewiston. Stick by your guns.

Harvey Stannard
Boston, Mass.

You people operate a wrestling magazine. I buy it. It is the best in its field. Why, then, devote space in The Ring to wrestling? I know you have been doing this for many years but now there is no need for wrestling in your boxing publication. Remember, I am not against wrestling. But I think your Ring Wrestling covers the field more than satisfactorily.

J. G. Hanford
Columbia, Mo.

Editor's Note: This matter has been up for consideration for some time. Just as you are sure The Ring should carry no wrestling, so are thousands certain that a little wrestling gives The Ring an interesting fillip. Now and then a reader tells us we should run half a dozen pages of boxing in Ring Wrestling. This we have no intention of doing.

Please run two features every month. A picture story of a great fighter, and one of those Ring Detective investigations by Daniel. These articles and pictures are more interesting to me, and I am sure to thousands of others, than any boosts for those foreign fighters. What has become of our Yankee scrappers? Are they all driving trucks?

Grace Denby
Boston, Mass.

Editor's Note: We are going to run those features you like so much from now on. We, too, ask, "What has become of our Yankee scrappers?"

Your 1965 *Ring Record Book* is tremendous as all the ones in the past were. I enjoy them immensely each year.

I do believe however, that you've omitted one small item in the 1965 edition. On page 817, you list 5 fighters who won Olympic titles and went on to win world championships in professional boxing. Cassius Clay is not listed. Was this an omission, or is there a reason?

Kent Brennan
Spokane, Washington

Editor's Note: You are correct. The name of Clay should have been added to the list. In the record of Emile Griffith, you'll find two errors. He was knocked out in Pittsburgh, December 20, 1961, by Ruben Carter, and he is a welterweight not a middleweight. Sorry.

An exclusive picture of Sonny Liston, who appears to be waving boxing goodbye.

It seems to me that you are devoting less and less space to California, where we are having boxing on a pretty interesting scale. Why this change of attitude? California is maintaining continuity of action. interesting no matter what Madison Square Garden does in New York. California is maintaing continuity of action. Give it more space, more pictures, more gossip. I will await results of this letter with great interest.

Tracy Krindlar
Los Angeles, Cal.

Editor's Note: We have been giving California boxing all the space it commands. We are eager to give it this space, and then some. We have been considering ways and means, and promise you a beneficial reaction. There will be lots more California.

There has been a rebirth of interest in Steve Brodie, the guy who did, or did not, jump off Brooklyn bridge. I am a transplanted New Yorker of 70 and seem to remember Brodie as a second rate boxer. I know his saloon on the Bowery was a hangout for fighters. Would a Steve Brodie article be out of place in The Ring?

William Talford
San Jose, Cal.

Editor's Note: A Brodie piece would not be out of place and we will run one soon. Glad to hear from you again.

Was there ever a wrestler who really could fight? I don't remember one. Carnera went to wrestling after having been a world champion in boxing. But I never have rated him great in either sport. Joe Louis's wrestling effort was a fiasco and a hoax. Fitzsimmons tried wrestling and was a joke. So was Gus Ruhlin. I just have discovered your two publications, after 20 years in Paris.

Guy Guillmard
New York, N.Y.

Editor's Note: No boxer ever has become a wrestling champion, and no wrestling leader ever has become a world title holding boxer. Carnera is the closest we have had in two sports leadership.

Why don't you put pressure on the champions — Clay, Torres, Giardello, Griffith—to get off their backsides and defend their titles against formidable opposition?

I am 80 years old and have been watching fights for 65. Richard K. Fox would have ripped these sit-down champions to pieces. Throw your weight around. Get action. Don't pamper these guys. Get more fights or boxing is really in trouble. Action is its lifeblood. I am a Gaines. Joe Gans was a Gaines.

Thomas S. Gaines
Baltimore, Md.

Editor's Note: We have been using every fair means to get the champions going and to stir up the ring situation. But the lawyers and the accountants are in command. Richard K. Fox would have jumped off his roof in similar circumstances.

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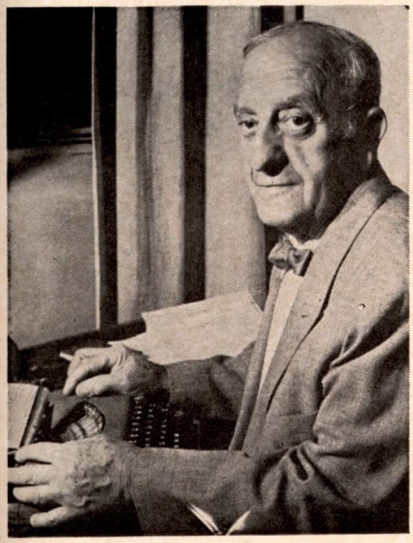


Speaks Out!!!

FLEISCHER

AFTER participating in the boxing hearings in Washington, held by the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce in the House of Representatives, and giving testimony in favor of the Varick Tunney—and Orin Harris Bills, "to establish and prescribe the duties of a Federal Boxing Commission," I am of the opinion that their passage has better than a fifty percent chance.

Of the seventeen witnesses, all except one favored some form of Federal control. The lone dissenter thought the sport should be eliminated on moral grounds.

Without exception, those who favored national regulation asserted that it was particularly necessary in the area of television, over which State and locality commissions exercise no control.

Those favoring federal regulation urged the Committee to turn out legislation before it might be too late, and boxing suffered more injuries. Unlike most subjects of government regulation, boxing not only pleaded with the Committee to have Uncle Sam step in, but offered suggestions for strengthening the Tunney-Harris bills. Witnesses proposed more authority to a Federal czar than the sponsors provided for.

It had been expected that heavyweight champion Cassius Clay and Sonny Liston would appear to talk about the happenings in Lewiston, Maine, and offer suggestions. Neither showed up, both affronted the Congress.

Chairman Harris said he had sent each an invitation and neither Clay, Liston nor anyone associated with them had communicated with the Committee.

This aroused a general feeling of resentment. Congressman Leo W. O'Brien, of New York, said:

"It seems rather odd that they wouldn't climb into the ring to defend the sport. Their presence was expected."

Ranking Republican member of the Committee, Congressman William L. Springer, of Illinois, declared: "the hearings are not complete without the testimony of Champion Clay."

Despite their failure to speak up for the sport that has made them millionaires, the hearings were successful and acted as tonics for boxing.

Bills originally designed to take over boxing on a government-controlled basis seemed, as the hearings progressed, to emphasize an effort to supervise TV and radio in boxing.

This despite the strong comments of almost every witness that a take-over of boxing, from the licensing of promoters and others associated in any way with the handling of matches, was sorely needed if the sport is to achieve a recovery from the Shock of Lewiston.

Most significant at the hearings was the general statement that the Clay-Liston "fight" was so confusing, unsatisfactory and deficient, as to arouse resentment among fight enthusiasts around the world to the point at which creation of a National Commissioner became urgent, necessary, mandatory.

Members of the House Committee indicated a desire to help, rather than put an end to legalized boxing as some state legislatures have voted.

In Connecticut, boxing has been abolished by the legislators. In commenting on this, Chairman Harris said: "If a bill is passed, we aim to bring boxing back, not kill it. Since television has been blamed by so many for boxing's ills, my bill for the regulation of TV, should be the means to right the wrong.

"It would set up a commission and would give that boxing commission authority to prohibit a wire service, radio or television from carrying an account of professonal boxing in inter-state commerce, whenever the commission determines that the bout in any way will be affected by bribery or collusion to affect the result, international losing, racketeering, extortion, coercion, intimidation or the use of violence."

I pointed out to the committee that the Harris and Tunney bill are too weak. They tend to take care of a situation that already is controlled by the legal authorities of each State working in harmony with the boxing commissions. Most needed, I said, are sharp teeth in the proposed measures that would enable a strict regulation of the sport by the Federal czar.

I pointed out that boxing has more safeguards than any other sport, with one great exception—the greed of boxing commissions. Many will grab, at any cost, what other commissions have ruled out. They do so because of the sense of prestige a major boxing match carries.

Uniformity in rules and regulations, as this publication so frequently has pointed out, could avoid the difficulties which boxing confronts.

A National Commissioner could see that regulatory powers in each state were uniform. The licensing by a National Commissioner of all who have a hand in running boxing is a necessity.

Boxing is a vast industry. It should receive not harassment but protection through national legislation.

Given the collaboration of the Federal government and State Commissions, boxing can be restored to full strength.

Nat Fleischer

THREE REFEREES IN HOT DISPUTE

DISCUSSION of the Clay-Liston affair at Lewiston, Me. will not cease. After every contingency, every detail of the brief encounter apparently had been placed under the microscope, a fresh possibility of acute interest presented itself.

It will be recollected that Clay started a left for the body which never made contact, and then belted Sonny with a corkscrew right to the left side of the head.

Liston hit the deck. The knockdown time-keeper, Frank McDonough, former newspaper printer and not experienced in that boxing job, started counting as soon as Sonnyboy hit the floor

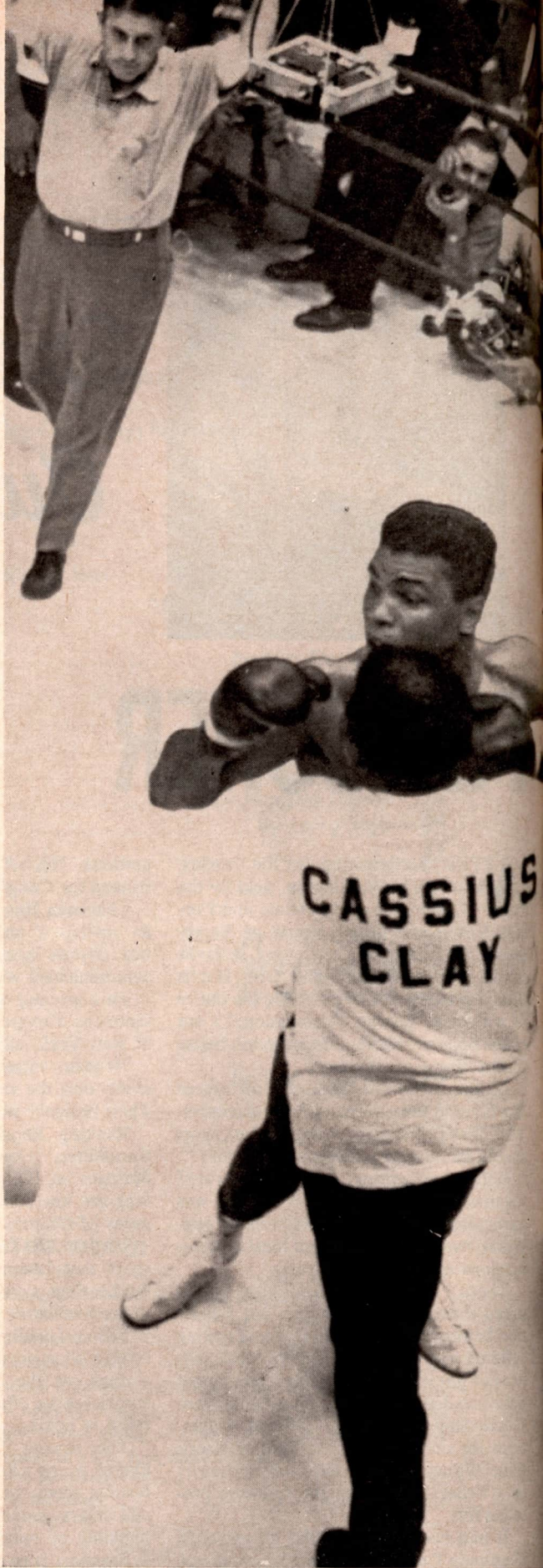
McDonough had a small gavel borrowed from some lodge. He had no mike, no loud speaker.

He started his count. He got to ten, went on to twelve, in the meantime unsuccessful in an effort to draw the attention of Jersey Joe Walcott, the referee.

Failing to bring Walcott to his side of the ring, McDonough went right on counting and eventually got as far as 22, at which point Walcott came over. He had been drawn over by the shouts of Nat Fleischer, publisher of The Ring Magazine,

SUPPOSE LISTON HAD COME OFF FLOOR FIGHTING AND KO'D CLAY?

By DAN DANIEL



No problem here for Barney Felix, who refereed fight at Miami Beach in which Liston lingered in his corner after six rounds, and Barney waved the world championship to Clay on February 25, 1964.

who sat next to McDonough and acted at his behest.

"The fight is over, the knockdown time-keeper has counted Liston out," Walcott was told and he made that announcement, as did Johnny Addie, the official source of information.

Walcott had ordered Clay to a neutral corner. But Cassius, standing over Liston, calling him names and shouting to him to get up and fight, would not accede.

The rules say that just so long as the fighter standing up refuses to go to a neutral corner there can be no legal count over the fallen boxer. Jack Dempsey found that out against Gene Tunney in their Battle of the Long Count, their second meeting, in Chicago in 1927.

At no time did Clay go to a neutral corner.

At no time did Walcott pick up the count from knockdown timer McDonough.

There is no provision for the knockdown down timer to call a fighter out.

Now then,—

After the 22 count Liston got up and began to swing. Walcott quickly told him he had been beaten.

Suppose, after the "unofficial" count of 22 Liston had knocked out Clay? What would Walcott have done? What would have been the official verdict?

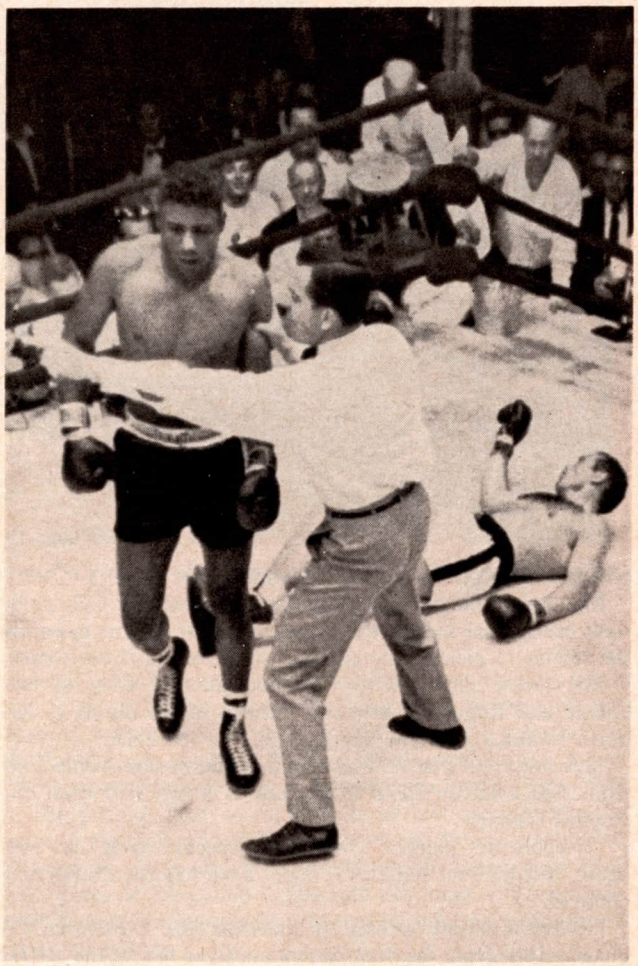
Would Liston have regained the title if, having decked Cassius, he walked to a neutral corner and ten had been counted, officially, legally, by Jersey Joe?

The Ring Magazine posed these questions to three prominent referees—Barney Felix, who worked in the Miami Beach Clay fight on February 25, 1964, when Liston failed to leave his corner for the seventh round; Arthur Mercante, who stands high on the list of the New York State Commission; and the veteran Ruby Goldstein, onetime boxer of note and an outstanding third man of the New York body.

All three insisted that with an experienced man on the job the mess seen in Lewiston could not have happened, and Liston could not have stopped Clay after that unofficial count of 22, even theoretically.

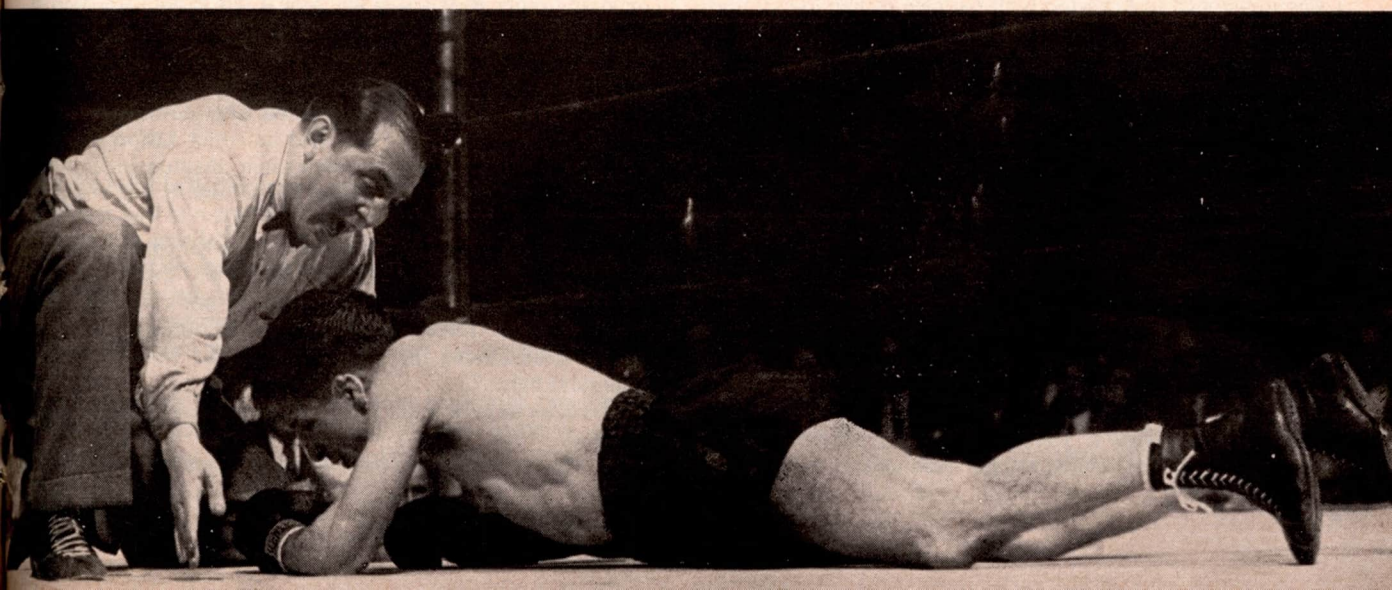
Felix was of the opinion that had Liston stopped Clay after an illegal count it would have needed an investigation by the Maine State Commission, and conceivably more experienced authorities, to dispose of a championship claim by Sonnyboy.

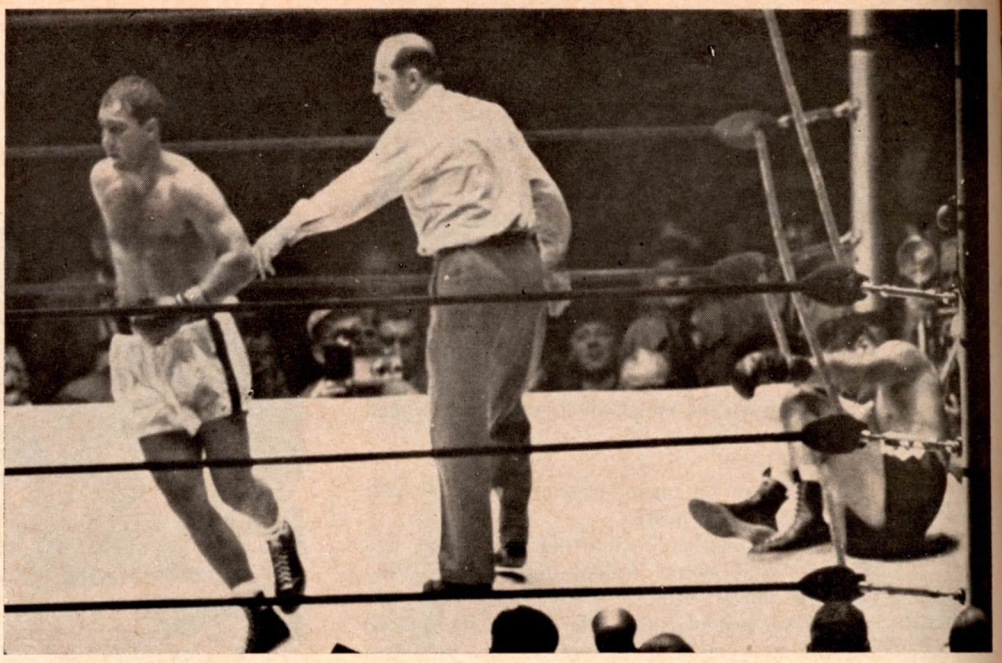
Like Mercante and Goldstein, Felix said that the trouble at Lewiston was produced by Walcott's comparative lack of experience, and knockdown time-keeper rank McDonough's lack



Arthur Mercante, New York Commission referee, is seen waving Floyd Patterson away from Ingemar Johansson after American had scored fifth round knockout over the Swede on June 20, 1960, and regained world title.

Referee Ruby Goldstein making sure that Sal Bartolo hears the count after having been stopped by Willie Pep in the twelfth round in New York on June 7, 1946. As it turned out, hearing the count didn't do Sal very much good. Bartolo rested for two years and came back for only two inconsequential fights in 1949.





The date is September 24, 1953, the locale is the old Polo Grounds in New York. Referee Ruby Goldstein is waving heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano to a neutral corner after he had belted Roland La Starza through the ropes in the eleventh round. La Starza returned at count of eight. But soon Roland reeled on the ropes and Ruby stopped the fight.

of a loud speaker and mike, and experience.

Like Mercante and Goldstein, Felix insisted that Clay could have been led or forced into a neutral corner in time to permit the referee to pick up the count at six or seven, if not sooner.

They were surprised that Walcott allowed Clay to take charge and forgot the primary features of his duties as laid down by Boxing Commission law all over the USA.

Mercante said that he was sure no Commission would have supported a Liston claim to the title if Sonny had risen and stopped Cassius.

"It could not happen," Mercante repeated, over and over again. But the fact remains it could have happened after that count of 22.

Goldstein simply refused to entertain the hypothesis. "A boxer arising from the floor cannot continue before the referee has cleaned his gloves of rosin," Ruby insisted.

Yet, Liston did arise and resume swinging, without Walcott's having rubbed the rosin fallout from the leather.

On being quizzed, Felix grinned from ear to ear. "You have dug up a picture of possible trouble without a parallel in the history of the ring. If and if and if, all of it wrapped up in a package the likes of which we never have seen.

"I dislike strongly being brought into this review. You see, I was summoned to Lewiston with the idea of naming me the referee. I had done a good job in an excitement-loaded fight at Miami Beach the night Clay won the title from corner-sitting Liston, and I had a right to expect to be named again. That is, I had a right to expect it when they asked me to confer with the promoters and the Maine officials in Lewiston.

"The trouble with Clay is that, once thrown into a situation of excitement, he becomes unstable.

"He doubtless had been warned that if he scored a knockdown he was to go to a neutral corner.

"Finding Clay unwilling to go to that corner Walcott should have used force. He is big enough.

"If I am in the ring and I am absolutely unable to force Cassius into a neutral corner, and my picking up the count is delayed, I might take a shot at Clay's jaw myself. Would that kind of kayo have made me the heavyweight champion?

"Now, let me review it. The knockdown referee reaches ten, or twelve, or 22. The referee has not been able to enforce the rule requiring the fighter who is standing up to go to a neutral corner. There is no legal count as the referee has not picked up the count from the knockdown time-keeper.

"Then Liston, still not knocked out legally, picks himself up, knocks Clay unconscious and walks into a neutral corner. The answer? Liston again is the champion. How else? But does the boxing world accept this?

"Never forget this. Once the opening gong rings the referee like the captain of a ship at sea, is the absolute boss. He has to enforce the knockdown rule, no matter what. He has to pick up the count at six, seven or eight. But, pick it up he must.

"The referee has to be strong, he has to rule with an iron hand. Failing to do this, he is not a referee, and not worthy of the job.

"Could it have happened? Why not? Sure it could have happened. Everything else did in less than two minutes in that Lewiston ring.

"How did Walcott get himself into that terrible situation? Clay forced him into it. I had trouble aplenty with him the night he became the champion."

"The thing which you envision could not possibly happen, so I offer no logical answer," said Mercante. "It could not happen to any experienced referee. It could not happen to me, or to any other member of the New York Commission's staff.

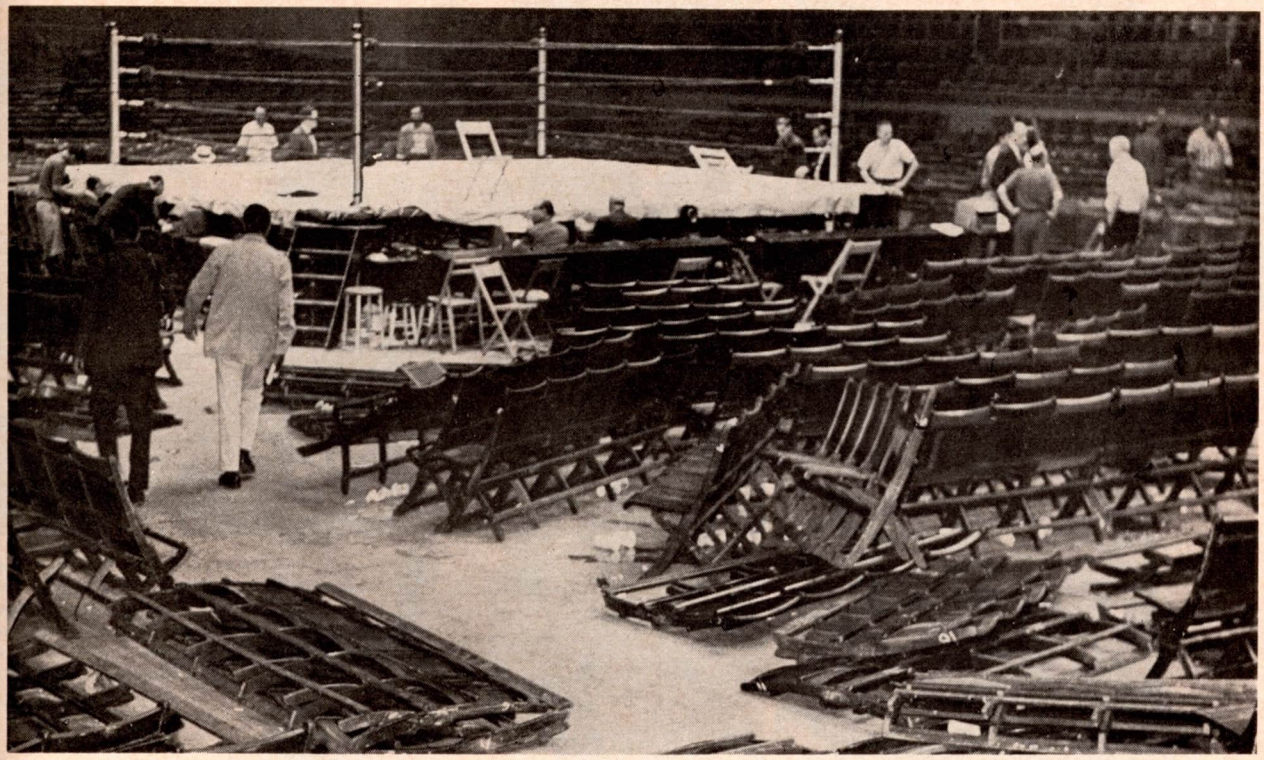
"As it was, the fight at Lewiston produced total confusion. Your hypothetical situation would have converted it from confusion to riot.

"Sure, had Liston risen and belted Clay down, the referee might have counted Clay out. Did he count Liston out? No. So, you have bedlam and the referee in a situation which would have made him nuts. The referee is the boss. It just could not happen."

The questioner persisted. "It could have happened. Just look at the things which crammed themselves into that minute and something. You keep telling me it could not occur to an experienced man. Jersey Joe Walcott wasn't exactly a referee picked from among the passersby. He had worked in some important fights."

"Well, let us review this thing," Mercante continued, shaking his head.

"Suddenly Liston picks himself off *(Continued on page 43)*



The scene is Madison Square Garden in New York after Elorde defeated Narvaez in a ten round split decision. The verdict was unpopular with Narvaez fans, who proceeded to wreck the "House that Tex Built."

Laguna-Elorde Title Match On Tap After Narvaez Riot

By NAT LOUBET

FLASH ELORDE won a split decision over Frankie Narvaez before a crowd of some 7000 fans who paid $22,622 for the privilege of witnessing a Donnybrook inside the ring, and participating in an unprecedented riot after the bout.

Elorde is scheduled to go on to fight Ismael Laguna for the lightweight championship of the world. Narvaez will lick his wounds while awaiting another chance to advance his ring standing.

Although the New York fight was held with the idea of matching the winner with the lightweight champion of the world, from Panama, there now is an enticement along the road.

After what happened in the Garden, a rematch of Elorde and Narvaez in the Arenata Coliseum in Quezon City near Manila, with its 36,000 seats, would produce a golconda for the fighters, one of whom, Narvaez, needs money badly. He has to moonlight as an apartment maintenance man in New York.

The pre-riot bout was a mixture of pier six brawling and some of the best boxing to be seen in years. Elorde, a southpaw, 30 years of age, the world junior lightweight champ since 1960, and holder of the Orient lightweight title since 1957, put on a masterful exhibition of ring skill that brought nods of approval from the experts.

Narvaez, though the loser, proved himself to be a formidable fighter, who at 24 is young enough to gain the experience which could make him one day a champion.

The slim waisted Elorde was a picture of contrast to the chunky, square shouldered Narvaez. Although Frankie looked much the stronger in built and in his aggressive style of boxing, the weights gave the Puerto Rican only a pound advantage with Elorde weighing in at 135½.

Elorde was mainly the counter puncher, with an unorthodox style in which he threw more hooks than jabs. The Philippine Islander was the ring general, throwing more leather than Frankie but his punching power was less than that of Narvaez.

Narvaez isn't a stylist. He belongs to the two-fisted school that has become popular in recent years. What he lacks in skill he makes up in heart and desire to carry the fight to his opponent. His defense was not bad and with more experience he will hit less often and land more effectively.

The bout was a bruising affair from the opening bell, replete with toe to toe slugging. Had either possessed a knockout punch the bout would never have gone the ten rounds. There were no knockdowns but the action could easily be countered as one of the best boxing and fighting melees seen this year.

Both referee Johnny LoBianco and Judge Tony Castellano scored it 5-4-1 for Elorde. The other judge, Bill Recht, tabbed it 7-2-1 for Narvaez. This writer had it 5-4-1 for Elorde.

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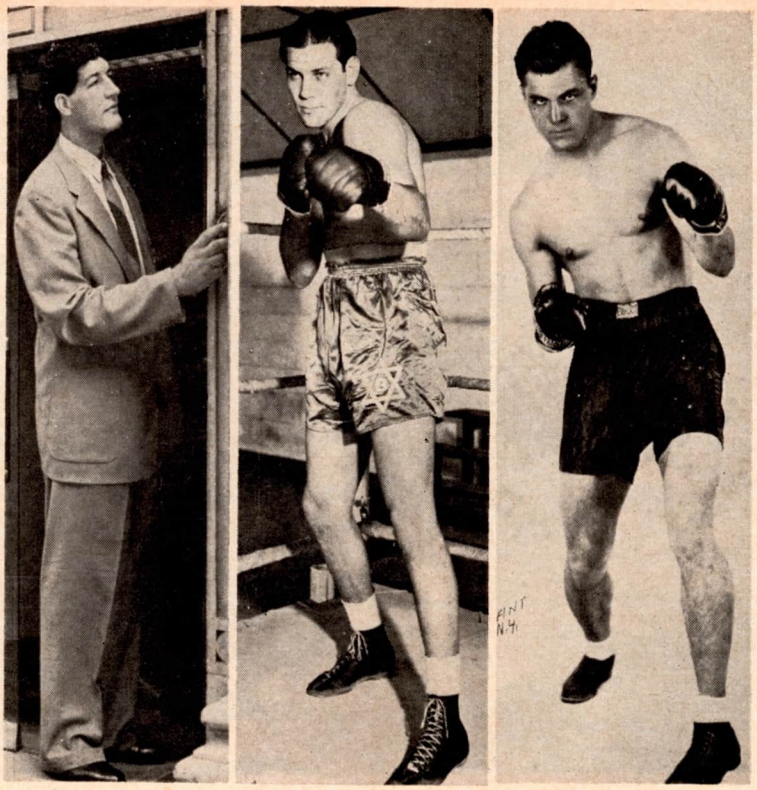
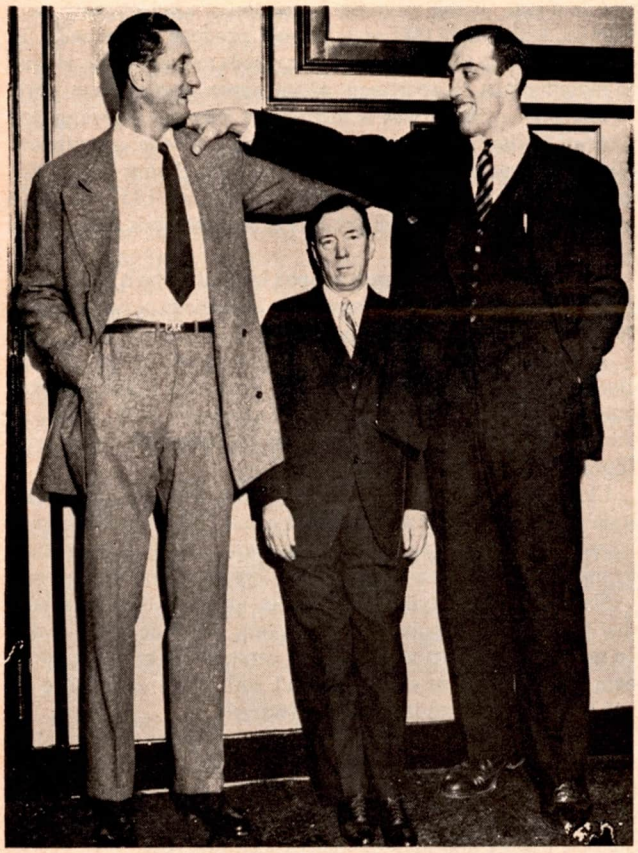


From left to right we see South Africa's Ewart Potgieter, Buddy Baer and Steve Hamas. Potgieter was a seven-footer who weighed more than 300 pounds, but did not fare well in the heavyweight ranks. Baer, of course, will be remembered as the younger and larger brother of heavyweight king Max. Buddy fought Joe Louis twice for the title. Hamas was a star gridder at Penn State before turning to the professional fistic ranks.

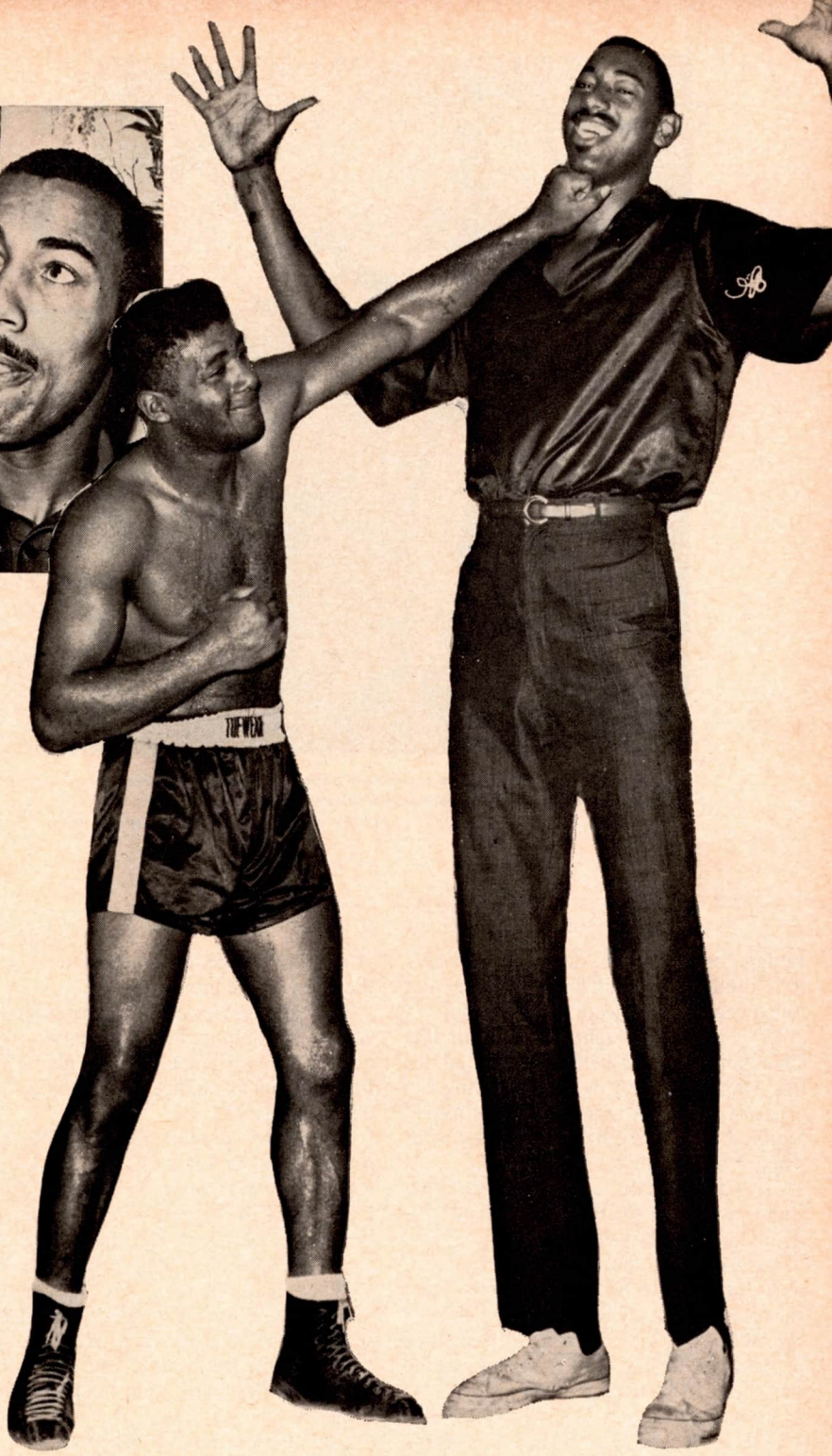


Madison Square Garden promoter Jimmy Johnston looks rather forlorn in this 1931 photo, as he stands between giants Vittorio Campolo (left) and future heavyweight champ Primo Carnera. These were two of the biggest men to engage in an important heavyweight contest. Campolo was 6-6½, 225 lbs., while Da Preem was 6-6¾ and 267 lbs.

WILL RING $ STILL LURE WILT FROM BASKETBALL?

THE COVER STORY

Above are three studies of the large Mr. Chamberlain in the process of being interviewed by the press concerning his athletic activities. And, at right, a gag photo of Floyd Patterson jabbing Wilt on the chin. It's possible that it may turn out to be a serious match in the near future and affect the division rankings.



By GEORGE GIRSCH

WHEN the story broke recently about Wilt Chamberlain, pro basketball's biggest fish, wanting to giving up the hardwood game in favor of a boxing career, many eyebrows were raised among aficiados of both sports.

Pros and cons were tossed back and forth concerning Wilt the Stilt's future as an eventual opponent for heavywheight king Cassius Clay. With Cus D'Amato as his guiding genius, Chamberlain, it was reported, would be ready to challenge for boxing's biggest prize within a year.

While Chamberlain at times has confirmed and other times denied that he seriously contemplates a switch from hook shots to left hooks, the fact remains he has not closed the door on a ring career. To lure of those bushels of boxing dollars still attracts the 7 foot, 1-1/16 inch Philadelphia 76ers' center. In fact, he's so far as to hold secret workouts in a New York YMCA gymnasium.

D'Amato, the man who maneuvered Floyd Patterson to the top of the heavyweight heap, maintains Wilt can be developed into a topnotch boxer. Says Cus:

"Chamberlain could be a greater fighter. He's a strong all-around athlete. His great height would be no bar despite what many people say about tall fellows not being good fighters. I feel his height could be a great asset. Wilt also has desire, which is, of course, a prime requisite."

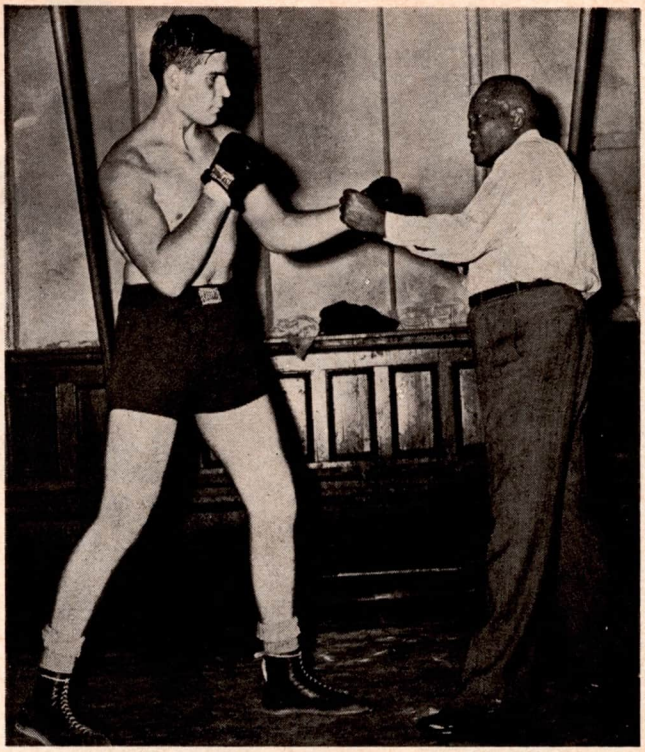
When it was reported that D'Amato acting for a third party, had signed Chamberlain to a seven-year contract, Wilt was quoted as saying that Cus "wasn't the only party in boxing interested in me. He's just one of them."

It is D'Amato's theory that just because a man is not a callow youth and has become a star in another sport, he should not be ruled out as a potential boxing champion.

"I've always thought that if an athlete in another field has the proper incentive and spirit, his age would not prevent him from gaining the heights in boxing," Cus told the Ring.

"If Chamberlain, who is 28, or any other athlete, loses interest in his particular sport after spending a good number of years in it, the false impression is given that he is finished, because of poor reflexes or some such reason. But with a new challenge or interest through the medium of changing sports, he will adapt himself better than an untried kid.

"Height has nothing to do with a successful career in the ring. The important thing is how a man uses his physical attributes. Therefore height can be an ad-



Big Ben Moroz, another of the seven-foot brigade of heavyweights who turned out to be a bust, spars with all-time great Jack Johnson.

Cus D'Amato, the man who piloted Patterson to the top of the heap, opines that Chamberlain can be developed into a topnotcher in the ring. The word is that Cus would be Wilt's guiding genius in his boxing career.

Jack Hurley, well-known veteran fight manager, propositioned Chamberlain about a possible ring career years ago, but failed to persuade The Stilt to change sports.

vantage or hindrance, depending on how it is used. Those tall boxers of the past failed because they were trained wrong.

"I've always thought that a man like Chamberlain, a basketball player all his life, should do very well in the ring because of the quick reflexes and fast moves required of a basketball player. It makes wonderful training for boxing.

"If Chamberlain applied himself, he could be boxing for the heavyweight title within a comparatively short time."

Ike Richman, co-owner of the Philadelphia 76ers of the National Basketball Association, obviously was not very enthused over Wilt's possible forsaking of basketball in favor of boxing. Ike is very upset by way things are pointing.

Richman admitted that Wilt could make a million dollars if he turned to fighting and that basketball could not match boxing's offer. If he were to keep Chamberlain as a member of the 76ers, it was obvious that Ike would have to offer the big fellow inducement other than money.

There are other factors involved in the latest chapter of the Chamberlain saga. The principal one may be his stomach.

It will be recollected that Wilt, when a member of the San Francisco Warriors during the early part of last year's NBA campaign, missed several games due to a pancreas condition.

There's no doubt that a boxer who suffers from pancreatitis is, to say the least, at a disadvantage, especially when getting thumped in the breadbasket.

But, at these prices and the hours involved, as compared with the varied rigors of the pro hoop game, who can blame Wilt for wanting to change fields and getting off these planes.

There's no question that all those connected with the 76ers and the NBA don't want to see Wilt make so drastic a move. He's one of the biggest—if not the biggest—drawing cards in the league and will continue to be so as long as he's active.

What may or may not be common knowledge is the enormous strength possessed by The Tall One. He has been known to lift up the rear end of an automobile with his bare hands in order to help someone change a tire.

Chamberlain has been approached before about turning his talents to the ring. Jack Hurley propositioned Wilt about 10 years ago, but The Stilt remained a basketballer. Then, in 1962, Lou Mohs, general manager of the Los Angeles Lakers, came to Chamberlain with a similar idea. Mohs went so far as to try to obtain the Los Angeles Coliseum as the site for Wilt's fistic debut. Again Chamberlain decided to remain true to the hardwood. But now, Wilt's reaction appears to be different.

He insists it wouldn't be just for the money. "Boxing is an individual sport. It's you against the other fellow. I've always preferred the individual sport. Track was always my favorite for that reason," he explained.

"I feel that in boxing it's either you or the other fellow. You stand on your own merits. If you knock out the other guy, it's you who did it. If he knocks you out, it's you who gets KO'd, no one else.

"There are many people who regard this idea of my entering the ring as just a publicity or grandstanding stunt. I assure you I am not playing any games."

It was during this past hoop campaign that Chamberlain co-authored a couple of magazine articles in which he stated he was fed up with basketball and life in a bush league. As a result of the pieces, Wilt was fined by NBA prexy J. Walter Kennedy.

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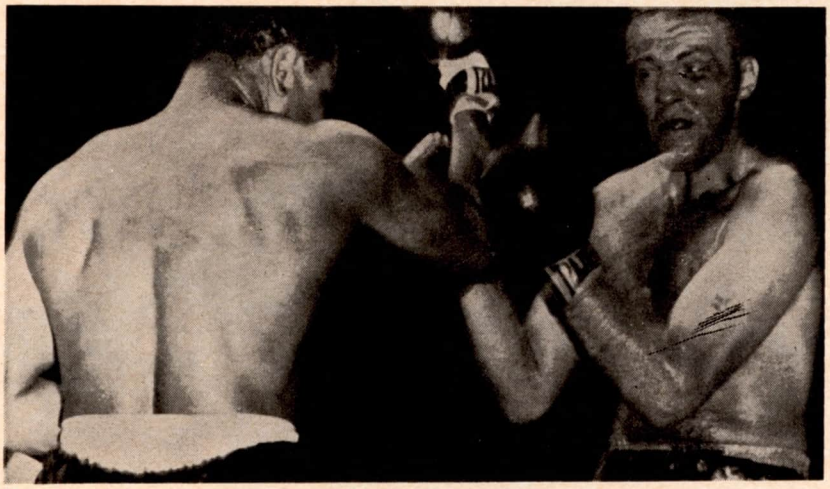
Clay: 'Torres Not Ready For Me', After Easy Win



Heavyweight Tom McNeeley backs off from right uppercut thrown by light heavyweight king Jose Torres during their tame 10-rounder at San Juan, P.R. Torres scored a unanimous decision over the Arlington, Mass. veteran. Jose weighed 182, while McNeeley came in at 204.

By MARIO RIVERA MARTINO

SAN JUAN, P.R.—Special to "The Ring"—Hiram Bithorn Stadium—Jose Torres' invasion into the heavyweight ranks came pretty close to being a sensational one-round kayo in his favor as towering Tom McNeeley was floored by some hefty hooks to body when the fight was less than one minute old. The body attack, used so effectively against Willie Pastrano in Jose's last match, weakened his opponent whose claim of foul was not allowed. But it did give him a few more seconds of respite—enough for him to recuperate and last out not only the round but the ten sessions as well.

Cassius Clay, world heavyweight king was among those present. He boxed three rounds with Jimmy Ellis and three with Cody Jones in exhibitions that pleased the spectators. He looked impressive. He was accompanied by Chris Dundee and his chief trainer, Angelo Dundee, each of whom expressed himself as delighted with Clay's showing."

"He wouldn't require much training to defend his title" said Chris. "He's in excellent condition."

Clay asked to express his opinion of Torres who prior to his fight declared he would like to meet Cassius in a title bout, said:

"He's a good fighter, fast and strong. But he is not ready for me. He should keep away from the heavyweights for a time," he advised Torres.

Torres was the master throughout despite the poor contest. With a weight advantage of 22 pounds, 182 to 204, McNeeley was able to slow up the champion by staying in close and holding at every opportunity.

It was Jose's aim in arranging the fight, to knockout McNeeley in quicker time than did Floyd Patterson, who required four rounds, then attempt to get Floyd into the ring and put him out of the way to pave the field for a world heavyweight championship match.

Cus D'Amato, manager of Torres and former mentor of Patterson, also had the above in mind when he announced that Jose would fight several times as a heavyweight before defending his crown, probably against Wayne Thornton of Fresno, California, next October.

Patterson thus far has shown no inclination to talk any terms with either Torres or D'Amato regarding a fight with the light heavyweight king. He thinks he has a title bout with Clay clinched for Madison Square Garden in the Fall.

Although Torres connected well throughout the fight, he was never able to maintain a steady attack because of his opponent's mauling tactics. Tom was hooted and booed because of his intended purpose of lasting out the ten rounds at all cost. He was aided in part by a benevolent referee who permitted those tactics instead of warning Tom that if this was to continue, he would be disqualified.

Apparently Torres knew what to expect because he had engaged the services of a professional wrestler to maul and haul him around in a private session daily after his regular stints in the ring at the San Jeronimo Hilton Hotel.

The decision was unanimous.

Torres stated that in his next bout, which will be against Eddie Machen in San Francisco early in September, he will come in under the 180-pound limit. The additional weight he carried for this bout did not benefit him.

The attendance was announced at 7,793 with a gate of around $30,000. However there were also about 3,000 freeloaders.

The semi-final eight-round bout, Herschel Jacobs, who fought a draw with Giulo Rinaldi recently, lost a close eight-round decision to Marion Connor of Boston.

Pascual Toribio, 120, Santo Domingo, had too much speed and height on local favorite, Alberto Cordero, 117, but had to be content with a draw decision.

Georgie Colon, 118, New York, made an auspicious pro debut by trouncing Euclides Felix, 118, Santo Domingo in four sessions.

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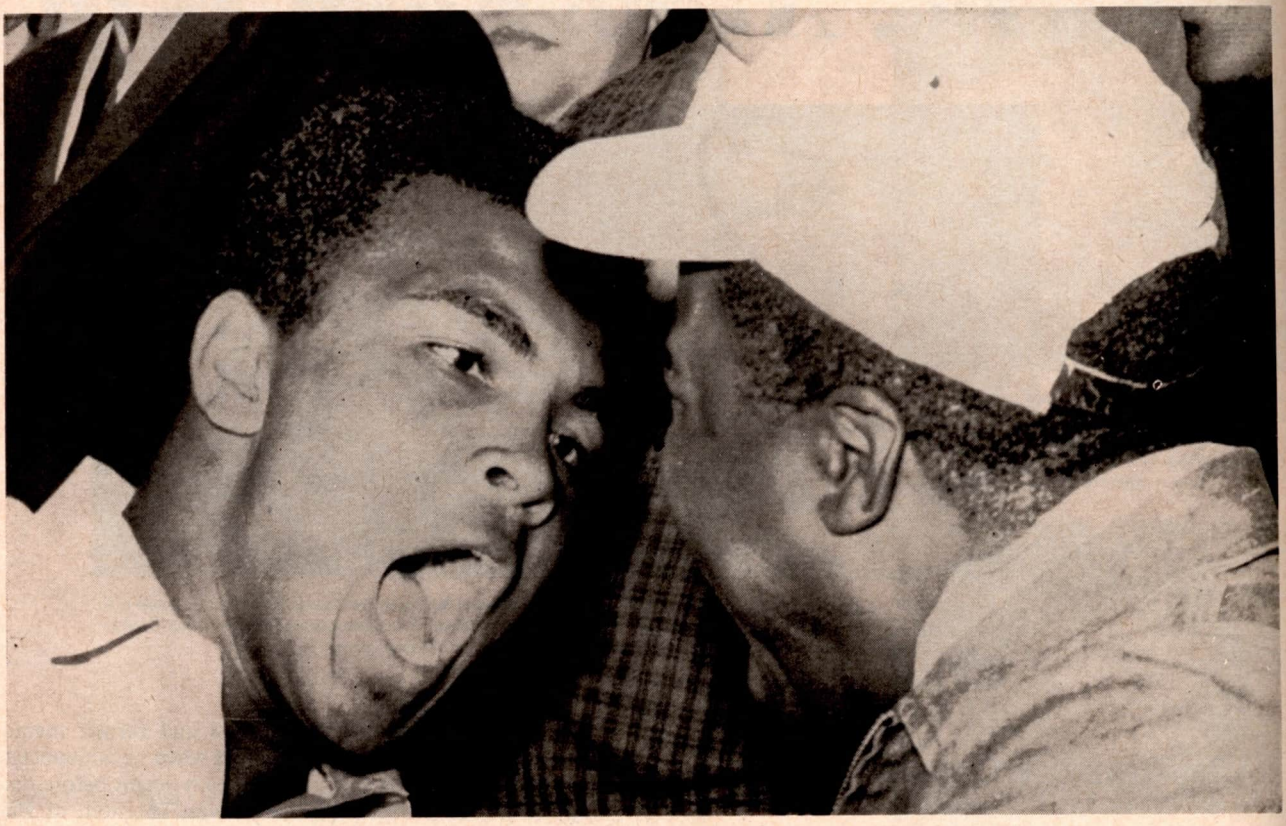


Cassius Clay and trainer Bundini Brown performing their famous *"Float Like a Butterfly, Sting Like a Bee"* duet.

By DAN DANIEL

"WE ARE making every possible effort to schedule three outstanding programmes for the Garden," said Harry Markson, director of boxing in the New York arena. "These events are:

"1. A doubleheader in which Cassius Clay would defend the heavyweight championship against Floyd Patterson, and George Chuvalo would tackle Ernie Terrell, the WBA titleholder. Nothing like this ever!

"2. A fight in which Jose Torres would defend the world light heavyweight title against Wayne Thornton, or would encounter Eddie Machen, heavyweight ineligible for Torres' championship.

"3. A contest in which Joey Giardello will defend the world's middleweight championship against former titleholder Dick Tiger.

"At this moment we are able to say that we have the highest hopes of landing all three programmes. However, as you know, especially in boxing, there is many a slip twixt the cup and the lip. The teetotaler might quote Robert Burns and say, 'The best laid plans of mice and men aft gang agley."

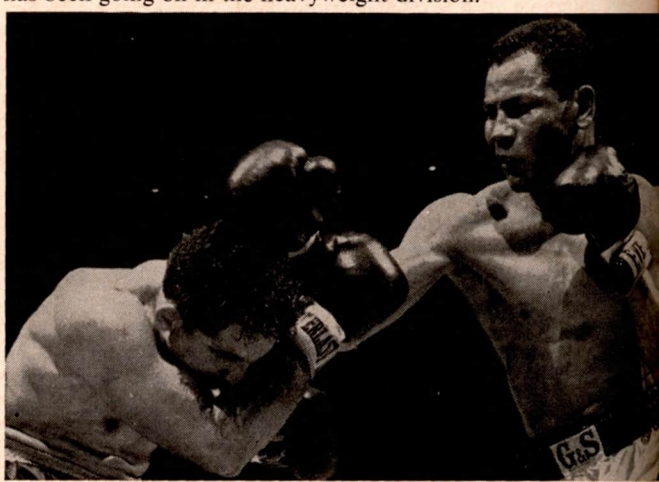
Let it be explained, absolutely in passing, that Markson was an English major at Union College.

The interviewer asked why Markson felt it necessary to do what never has been done before, and back up an impressive match for the world heavyweight title with another battle between big men.

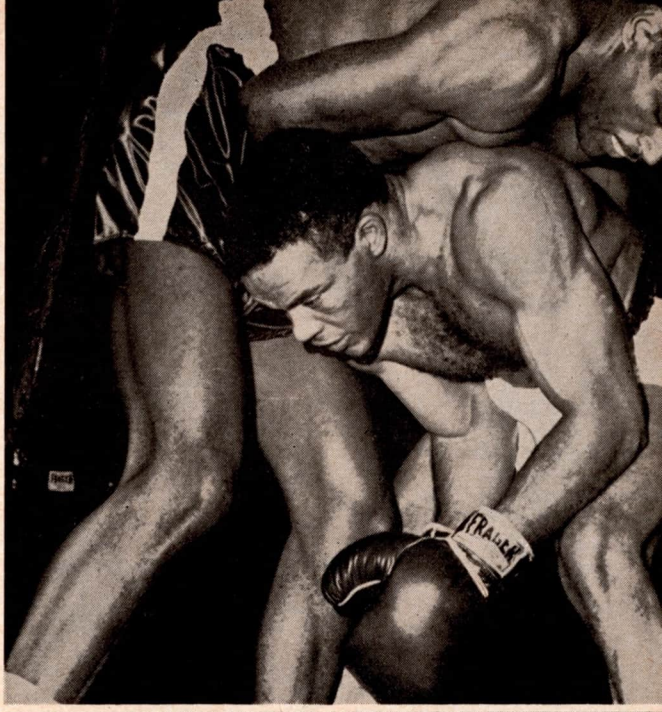
"Your question is a natural one, and I have tossed it around for hours," Markson replied. "We are aiming for the unprecedented.

"Patterson got a unanimous decision over Chuvalo right here in the Garden, and on the basis of that success has to get that shot at Clay, who, I believe, is of a similar mind. So is the Louisville syndicate with which Cassius is associated.

"Many wise men say, 'Match Clay and Patterson and you run the risk of another one round finish. Just look back at what has been going on in the heavyweight division.



Jose Torres leading up to his ninth-round knockout of Willie Pastrano, and acquisition of light heavyweight title.



This is not a wrestling match, but the battle for the WBA version of the heavyweight championship, wih Eddie Machen dodging under Ernie Terrell, eventual victor.

" 'Most recently, the Lewiston Horror, with Liston out in less than two minutes, hit by one punch.

" 'Before that, the unsatisfactory WBA affair in which Terrell got the decision over Machen in Chicago.

" 'Preceding that, the spectacle of Liston sitting in his corner, at Miami Beach, with the seventh round coming up.

"Leading up to this, the two one-round knockouts of Patterson by Liston. Take account of these five results and you trace, with ease, the need for a fan arouser and the absolute necessity of backing up a Clay-Patterson fight with a Chuvalo-Terrell meeting.'

"There is a belief in what are called smart circles that Clay should be matched now with Chuvalo. However, once again are we confronted with the fact that Patterson got the nods of the referee and both judges after his contest with the Canadian.

"I believe that the solution lies in the doubleheader, with the two winners meeting for the championship as soon as is practicable.

"Two hard fights, as we want to arrange them up with Clay-Patterson, Chuvalo and Terrell in action, would restore interest in boxing, would rebuild popular confidence in the sport, and send Garden boxing, yes, American boxing, on to other successes.

"The situation needs what we call a jumbo, a smash programme. We are ready to go the limit to arrange it.

"There is yet another angle to this heavyweight situation," the Garden director continued.

"The proposed doubleheader would go on closed circuit TV. It would draw a lot of money.

This is how Patterson fancies himself in appearance after his planned knockout of Cassius Clay in their scheduled encounter. Mrs. Floyd and New York's Mayor Bob Wagner are crowning Patterson.

"Movie theatres and arenas around the country have been stuck too often with abbreviated fights, with affairs ending unsatisfactorily. Emphasis on Lewiston, Me.

"Local sports writers have blasted heavyweight title boxing and conceivably would continue blasting a one-fight card. We have every confidence that the doubleheader would receive the approbation of every columnist and boxing writer in the USA.

"There is, in our doubleheader picture, a desire to give some attention to the position of the WBA.

"It insists that Terrell is the champion. If he is of title class he will beat Chuvalo. If he isn't championship timber Chuvalo will prove it. It's a fight which has to take place.

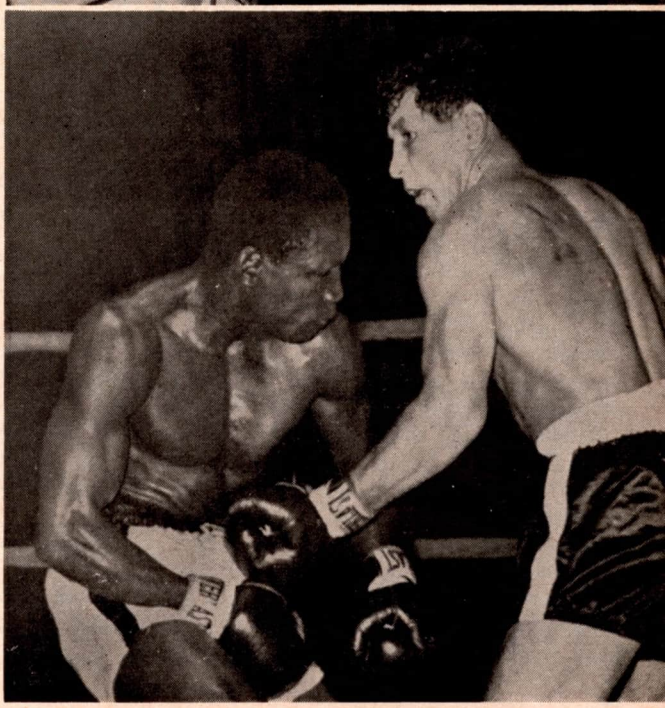
"Chuvalo and Terrell have a $50,000 offer and I have had a lot of trouble keeping them in line for our doubleheader.

"The four heavies named would revive talk about wholesome boxing.

"Have I seen Clay? No. I have not seen him, or had any contact with him since Lewiston.

"His next fight rests with the Louisville syndicate, for which lawyer Arthur Grafton now is the spokesman. He says that certain matters which hang over from he Lewiston affair have yet to be attended to, and he also refers to Clay's marital troubles.

"However, the paralysis in Clay's affairs cannot continue very much longer. There are other angles which hamper him but they are none of my business, *(Continued on page 43)*



A shot out of the camera portfolio resulting from Joey Giardello's grabbing the middleweight title from Dick Tiger at Atlantic City. They are to meet again.

The elegant, Homburg-hatted Cus D'Amato, once Patterson's "boss" but now completely out of that camp.

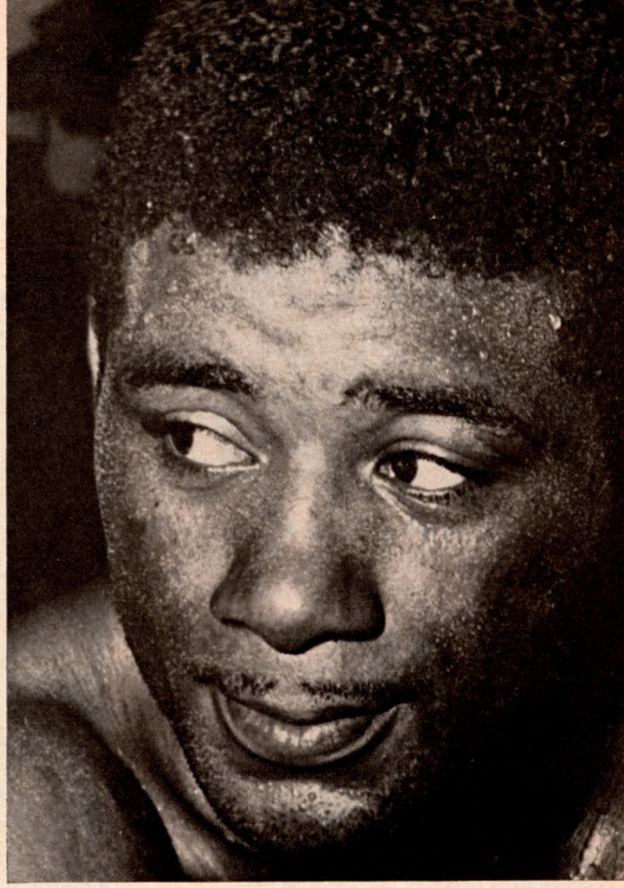
"No Matter How Great I Will Knock Clay Out,"

He Is, SAYS PATTERSON

By ED BRENNAN

"I want the world to accept me as a great fighter and champion," says Floyd in his hermit camp at Marlboro, N.Y.

This shot carries us back to August 1957. Patterson is training for his fight with Pete Rademacher. Dan Florio, then his trainer and now manager of record, stands behind him watching Floyd exercise.



An interesting camera study of Patterson, now one of the Elder Statesmen of boxing at age 31. He says D'Amato resented his "getting educated" through contact with reporters. Floyd admits to being a "loner."

MARLBORO, N. Y.—After Floyd Patterson had knocked out Charley Powell in six rounds on December 12, 1964, at San Juan, Puerto Rico, he flew with his friend Ted Hanson to the Virgin Islands for a few days' vacation.

The day Floyd was ready to fly back home, a mongrel puppy hopped toward him on three legs. His right front leg was curled up under him. Floyd patted the puppy and then tried to relax in a beach chair in front of the motel where he and Hanson were staying.

But the puppy kept hopping around Floyd, whimpering and tugging at his trousers. Late that night Patterson and Hanson and the puppy dog left for New York on a chartered flight.

If you go up to Patterson's hermit training camp, on the grounds of the San Capri Motel in this small, sleepy town in the Catskill Mountains, you will see this dog following Floyd around with his leg straightened out.

Floyd named the dog Hoppy because he still has a gimp.

It cost Patterson three hundred dollars to get Hoppy's leg straightened.

Not too many people get to know Patterson well. If you're one of these, the story of Patterson and Hoppy will give you an idea of the kind of person he is.

Patterson is a quiet, sincere man and a dedicated fighter. That is why Floyd has been up here for months getting ready for a title fight with Cassius Clay.

Patterson doesn't talk much when there are a lot of people around. But you catch him alone, as I did, with only Hanson and sparmate Richie Norton around, and he'll talk.

Patterson talked about Clay and about Jersey Joe Walcott rating Cassius the best heavyweight champ of all time, about his former manager Cus D'Amato and ex-stablemate light-heavyweight champion Jose Torres.

Asked about Clay as a man and a fighter, Floyd tilted his green madras cap on his head and said:

"Clay is a very nice person but not the people around him. But every man has a right to live his own life. Cassius likes a lot of people around him. I don't. The reason I like to be alone is there is less chance of getting involved with the wrong kind of people.

"Cassius is a good champion. But he is only a kid and already they are starting to write bad stories about him and the people around him

"Clay is a lot different than me. The bad stories don't bother him, I guess. Now me, I'm just the opposite. Anytime a writer puts the knock on me I get upset. I don't want the world to like me but I do want the world to accept me as a great fighter and champion."

Floyd was doing his talking while standing on the steps of the oblong two story white wooden building that is his training and sleeping quarters.

"I'm going to fight Clay for the title. I don't know where it will be or when it will take place. I won't know how good a champion Cassius is until I get into the ring with him.

"A lot of writers say Clay is a bum. I see that Walcott told you Clay is the greatest heavyweight champion of all time."

Asked to comment about Jersey Joe rating Clay better than Dempsey, Louis, Charles, Marciano and Walcott, Floyd stood up and asked us to go to the bar for a Coke.

Sitting at the bar with us was a blonde woman named Kitty, who comes from Brooklyn and owns the San Capri Motel.

The clock on the wall said quarter to five. But there were two other things on the wall that were more interesting than the time of day.

They were two diamond cards with pictures of Tony Canzoneri and Frankie Klick. They were advertising their twelve round non-title lightweight bout June 10, 1935 at Griffith Stadium in Washington, D.C.

Those diamond cards have been on that wall for thirty years and are in good shape. Almost as good shape as Patterson, who has taken over the late Canzoneri's camp in this picturesque countryside. Patterson resumed:—

"Now, about Walcott saying Clay is a better champion than Dempsey, Louis, Charles, Marciano and himself, let me say this:

"Walcott could be right. He could be right. But I'm going to try and prove he is wrong the night I get in the ring with Clay. I don't know where I rate among heavyweight champions. It's hard for any man to rate himself no matter what business he's in.

"But I do know that I'm going to fight my heart out the night I go against Cassius. I'm going to knock out Clay. I know I can knock him out. This is one thing I'm not going to miss. After I knock out Clay I wonder where they'll rate me? That's important to me. Very important."

We went back to Patterson's training quarters. Hanson left us to get Floyd's Cessna four seater private plane ready because Floyd had to fly to Monticello to enter his daughter in St. Joseph's School for Girls.

I put a lot of questions to Floyd, *"Why are you still fighting when you are independently wealthy? Why did you break up with Cus D'Amato?; What do you think of the things Jose Torres has been saying about you?"*

"Many serious things caused the breakup between me and Cus that I won't talk about now or ever. But there were a few minor things that I can talk about that helped the breakup," Floyd replied.

"One of the things was that cloak and dagger stuff for my first fight with Ingemar Johansson. I was young and depended on Cus to do everything right for me.

"But all of a sudden I started reading in the newspapers about gangsters being in the background as promoters of the fight. I read that D'Amato was trying to get Johansson to leave his Swedish manager Edwin Alquist and sign with a friend of Cus.

"I tried to get some answers to these things from Cus but all I got was a lot of nothing talk.

"Another thing was that Cus resented me getting educated talking to writers like yourself all over the world.

"When I won the title I was only twenty one. Cus did all my thinking and talking for me. He even told me what to tell you writers.

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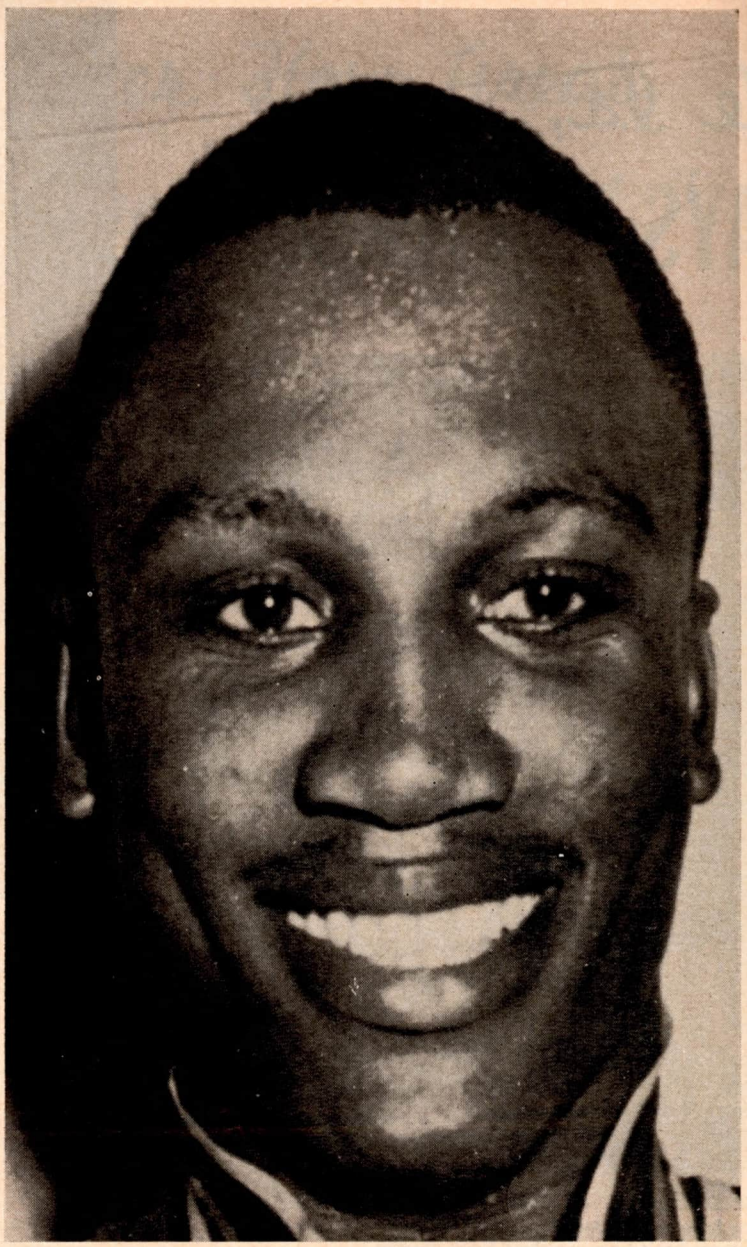
Frazier Joins Pro $ $ Chase

By NAT LOUBET



BUSTER MATHIS, AAU champion of the heavies, gone pro.

Wilt Chamberlain, the basketball marvel, considering a ring career.

And now Joe Frazier, Olympic heavyweight champion, joining the chase for that good old American dollar.

New blood, and how boxing needs it in the USA! New blood, new rivalries, new topics for the ring fans, to get their minds off Lewiston, Me. and Lxxxxn.

Frazier debated the pro issue at length and finally decided that, in justice to his family, to his wife Florence and his kids, Marvis, Jacqueline and Weatta, he had to get into something which promised good returns, something better than the supermarket job or his old slaughter house chores.

The Frazier Story is a poignant one. It's a story that goes back to dire need, to desperation, and to the Christmas Spirit.

His left hand in a cast because of injuries suffered in the Olympic tournament at Tokyo, his savings about gone, his paychecks at a local slaughter house stopped because of his inability to pick up his pre-Olympic job, Joe faced a cold, desolate Christmas.

His family faced 1965 with despair.

The three kids felt the desperation and were afraid to mention the name of Santa Claus. He was not for a poor Negro family in the unstylish precincts of this old Quaker town.

But when Christmas came, the Fraziers were buoyed with new hope. Kris Kringle had stopped at their home, after all. He had brought new clothes, toys, candy.

For Joe there was a new job at a super market, where the arduous labors of the battoir were reduced.

The treasurer of the US Olympic Committee, Max Ritter, of Jenkintown, Pa., had notified Joe that it would pay his hospital expenses and would reimburse him for lost time.

Friendly, kindly people of the Philadelphia area, aroused by newspaper stories of the Fraziers' plight, sent in gifts, provisions, sympathetic words, and much needed cash.

John Taxin, who runs a restaurant in Philly, gave Joe a check for $500 and a couple of turkeys.

America cold and unsympathetic? The USA a country of Scrooges? Philadelphia the headquarters of the 1964 Uriah Heeps? Santa Claus ready to appear in a city loaded with *"Bahs"* and disbelief?

Not a chance. There soon was laughter in the Frazier home.

"I always had religion," said the 21 year old Olympic champion. "Now I have it triple.

"After I had won the title at Tokyo, beating Hans Huber, of Germany, in the final, I got an offer of $1,000 down to turn pro and fight six rounds in New York's Garden, with a fine pro contract in the offing.

"I had not seen a paycheck since early in September, when I dropped my work to join the Olympic boxing squad training at Hamilton Air Base near San Francisco.

"But I refused the $1,000. I came home still a true amateur. Then came hospitals, surgeons, operations at Hahnemann Hospital, where they first stuck three pins into the left hand and later placed it in a cast.

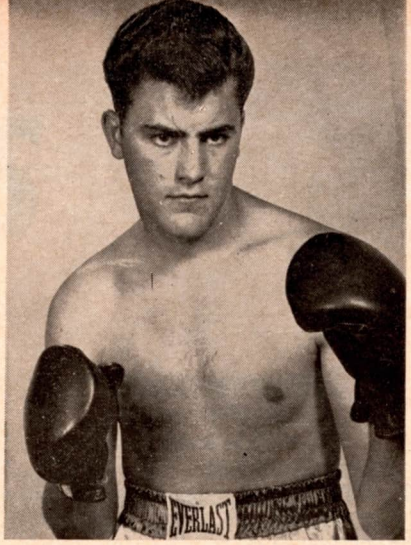
"Olympic champion! Nobody seemed to give a damn. They say Olympic heroes soon are forgotten. I was convinced that this was true. Until the public was told what I was up against.

"Mayor Jim Tate offered me a city job with the Department of Recreation. There were other bids. When I got ready to work, there were jobs galore. People were not cold and calloused."

Well, Frazier now is an out and out pro. He got his license from the Pennsylvania Commission early in August and soon thereafter went on the Hayward-Marshall card in Philadelphia's Convention Hall.

There will not have to be another charity Christmas for the Fraziers.

RING SEARCH PRODUCES FOUR MORE HOPEFULS



Tony Doyle, heavyweight from Salt Lake City, Utah, has won 10 and lost two in his brief pro career. He is trained by Angelo Curley.

By JOHNNY ORT

IN RECENT months The Ring has brought forth a coterie of prospects who eventually gained recognition in world ratings. Thad Spencer, heavyweight; Ted Whitfield, welterweight; Paul Fujii, junior welterweight; and Richard Sue, junior lightweight, were Ring hopefuls.

Seeking more Stars of Tomorrow, we find Tony Doyle, Salt Lake City; Chuck Wepner, Bayonne, N.J.; Andy Heilman, Fargo, N.D. and Carmelo Hernandez, New York, outstanding candidates.

Doyle, 22 year old heavyweight, who has won 10 and lost 2 in his brief pro career, has been fighting since he was 13 years old. In 56 amateur fights, Tony won 53 and lost 3. He won six Golden Gloves and AAU titles.

Tony's father had him working out in a gymnasium when he was barely big enough to lift a glove.

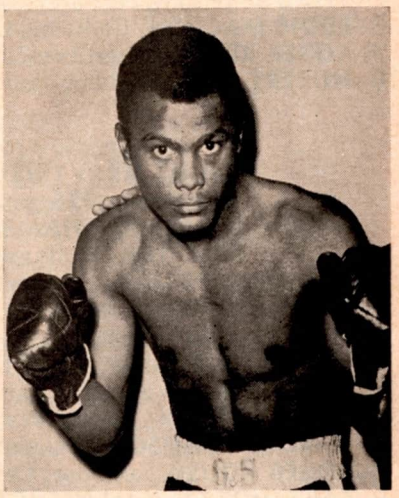
Doyle has two ambitions, to raise a happy family like his father's, five boys and two girls', and to win the heavyweight championship of the world.

Tony does not possess the greatest punch, but he does feature speed of foot and a good left hand. He is under the guidance of Angelo Curley, who trained former middleweight champion Gene Fullmer. Doyle is married, and father of two children.

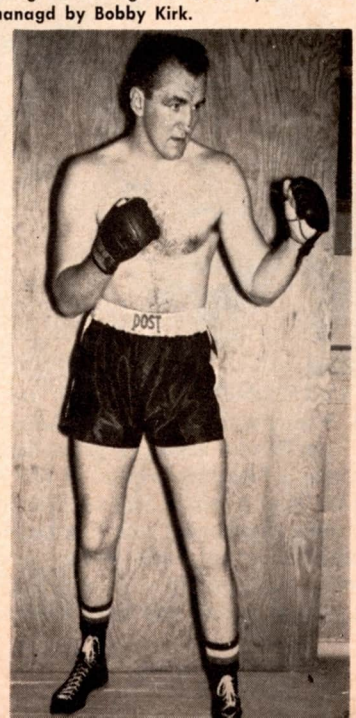
Wepner, another heavyweight, started in boxing in 1963. He won the 1964 Golden Gloves Sub-Novice Championship and he also took the Tournament of Champions title in Sunnyside Gardens. He was undefeated in his amateur career, with 13 victories. Chuck turned pro in 1964 and has a pro record of four victories and two draws. His biggest victory to date was a six round decision over Ray Patterson in Sunnyside Gardens. Chuck is married and has two children.

Chuck is a graduate of Bayonne High School. He turned down three college scholarships for basketball to become *(Continued on page 43)*

Andy Heilman, Fargo, N.D., has won 15 and lost 1 as a pro. He is a former Middleweight Golden Gloves Champion, 1958-59. Andy is managed by Freddie Merino.



Chuck Wepner an outstanding Bayonne, N.J., heavyweight, who decisioned Ray Patterson (below) for his biggest victory to date. Chuck is managed by Ralph Palmisno and Joe Baressi. Puerto Rican welterweight Carmelo Hernandez (above), 1964 Golden Gloves Sub-Novice Champion, won seven in a row before losing his first fight on a cut eye. Carmelo is managd by Bobby Kirk.



WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING AUG. 20, 1965

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CASSIUS CLAY, Louisville, Ky.
1–**FLOYD PATTERSON,** Great Neck, L. I.
2–**ERNEST TERRELL,** Philadelphia, Pa.
3–**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Toronto, Canada
4–**SONNY LISTON,** Denver, Colo.
5–**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
6–**KARL MILDENBERGER,** Germany
7–**THAD SPENCER,** Portland, Ore.
8–**EDDIE MACHEN,** Berkeley, Calif.
9–**ROGER RISCHER,** San Francisco, Cal.
10–**HUBERT HILTON,** New York, N.Y.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE TORRES, Puerto Rico
1–**GREGORIO PERALTA,** Argentina
2–**WAYNE THORNTON,** Fresno, Calif.
3–**MAURO MINA,** Peru
4–**WILLIE PASTRANO,** Miami Beach, Fla.
5–**BOB FOSTER,** Washington, D.C.
6–**EDDIE COTTON,** Seattle, Wash.
7–**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
8–**ROGER ROUSE,** San Jose, Calif.
9–**GERT (HOTTY) VAN HEERDEN,** South Africa
10–**GIULIO RINALDI,** Italy

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOEY GIARDELLO, Cherry Hill, N.J.
1–**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria
2–**JOEY ARCHER,** New York, N.Y.
3–**NINO BENVENUTI,** Italy
4–**RUBEN CARTER,** Passaic, N.J.
5–**SANDRO MAZZINGHI,** Italy
6–**LUIS FOLLEDO,** Spain
7–**GOMEO BRENNAN,** Bahama, B.W.I.
8–**STAN HARRINGTON,** Honolulu, Hawaii
9–**LASZLO PAPP,** Hungary
10–**HARRY SCOTT,** England

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
EMILE GRIFFITH, Weehawken, N.J.
1–**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Miami, Fla.
2–**MANUEL GONZALEZ,** Odessa, Texas
3–**WILLIE LUDICK,** South Africa
4–**BRIAN CURVIS,** Wales
5–**CURTIS COKES,** Dallas, Texas
6–**FORTUNATA MANCA,** Italy
7–**JOSE STABLE,** New York, N.Y.
8–**TED WHITFIELD,** Amherst, Mass.
9–**BILLY COLLINS,** Nashville, Tenn.
10–**EDDIE PACE,** Los Angeles

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS HERNANDEZ, Venezuela
1–**JOSE NAPOLES,** Mexico
2–**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, Ill.
3–**ADOLPH PRUTT,** St. Louis, Mo.
4–**SANDRO LOPOPOLO,** Italy
5–**PIERRO BRANDI,** Italy
6–**TITO MARSHALL,** Panama
7–**PAUL FUJII,** Honolulu, Hawaii
8–**LOUIS MOLINA,** San Jose, Calif.
9–**JUAN SOMBRITA,** Spain
10–**OLLI MAKI,** Finland

FLASH ELORDE FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

FOREIGNERS continue to rule the roost in Summer boxing while most of top Americans wait it out for Fall and Winter action to get under way. For the third time in a row, a foreigner is listed as The Fighter of the Month.

This time the honor falls to a Filipino, Flash Elorde, who in a thrilling engagement with Frankie Narvaez of New York and Puerto Rico, won a split decision in a non-title 10 rounder in Madison Square Garden, an ending to a contest that resulted in riot such as seldom has been witnessed in a New York club.

While there are no changes in the heavyweight division, in which action has been at low ebb, a number of rated men lost their high positions in other classes.

Willie Pastrano, former light heavyweight king, who is due to retire, and so is Henry Hank, of San Francisco. Hank has been eliminated following his one-sided defeat by Bob Foster, of Washington, D.C. Pastrano, down from fifth to seventh, exchanged posts with Foster.

Guilio Rinaldi, of Italy, who won the European light heavyweight title by stopping Peter Gumpert, of Germany, has replaced Hank in the tenth spot.

An old standby in the middleweight ranks, Laszlo Papp, of Hungary, who is on the road to retirement due to Commie government action, has gone further down the line in the international ratings, from sixth to ninth.

Luis Folledo, of Spain, Gomeo Brennan, of the Bahamas, British Empire title holder, and Stan Harrington, of Hawaii, victor over Gabe Terronez, of Fresno, *(Continued on page 60)*

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ISMAEL LAGUNA, Panama
1–**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N.Y.
2–**NICOLINO LOCHE,** Argentina
3–**PAUL ARMSTEAD,** Los Angeles, Calif.
4–**BUNNY GRANT,** Jamaica, B.W.I.
5–**ANGEL ROBINSON GARCIA,** France
6–**FRANCO BRONDI,** Italy
7–**FRANKIE NARVAEZ,** New York, N.Y.
8–**ALFREDO URBINA,** Mexico
9–**ABEL LAUDONIO,** Argentina
10–**CONNY RUDHOF,** Germany

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
GABRIEL (FLASH) ELORDE, Philippines
1–**LOVE ALLOTEY,** Ghana
2–**JOHNNY BIZZARRO,** Erie, Pa.
3–**TEURO KOSAKA,** Japan
4–**VICENTE DERADO,** Argentina
5–**KANG SUH II,** Korea
6–**JOSE LUIS CRUZ,** Mexico
7–**DANNY VALDEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.
8–**RAY ADIGUN,** Nigeria
9–**RICHARD SUE,** Portland, Ore.
10–**KID TANO,** Spain

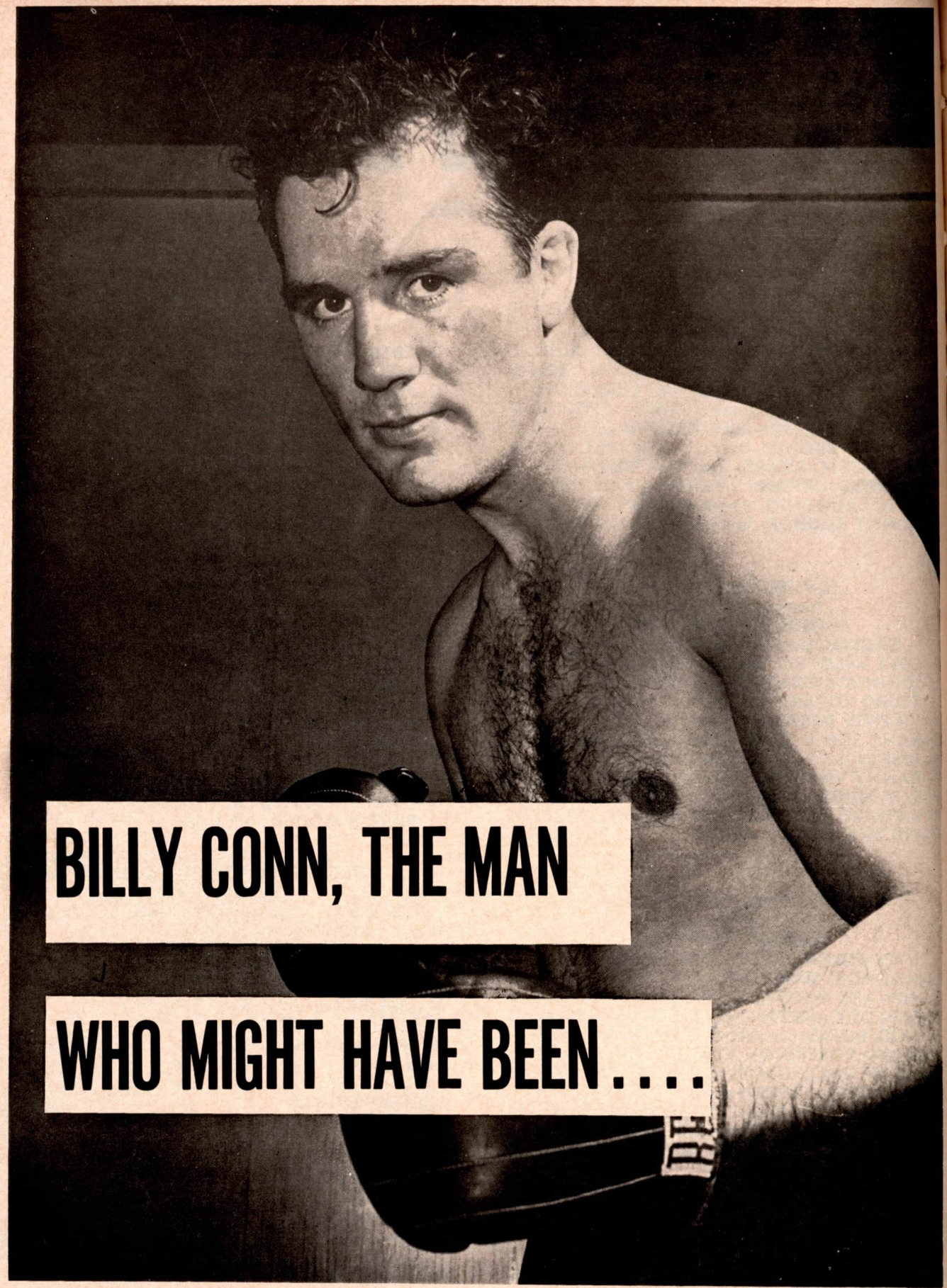
FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
VICENTE SALDIVAR, Mexico City, Mexico
1–**MISUNORI SEKI,** Japan
2–**HOWARD WINSTONE,** Wales
3–**CARLOS CANETE,** Argentina
3–**RAUL ROJAS,** San Pedro, Calif.
5–**FLOYD ROBERSTON,** Ghana
6–**JAIMIE VALLADARES,** Ecuador
7–**YVES DESMARETS,** France
8–**ANTONIO HERRERA,** Colombia
9–**RICARDO MORENO,** Mexico
10–**HIROSHI KOBAYASHI,** Japan

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
FIGHTING HARADA, Japan
1–**EDER JOFRE,** Sao Paulo, Brazil
2–**JESUS PIMENTAL,** Los Angeles, Calif.
3–**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
4–**BERNARDO CARABALLO,** Colombia
5–**ALAN RUDKIN,** England
6–**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain
7–**MANUEL BARRIOS,** Mexico
8–**BOB ALLOTEY,** Ghana
9–**ALEX BENITEZ,** San Jose, Calif.
10–**FELIX BRAMI,** Tunisia

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
SALVATORE BURRUNI, Italy
1–**HIROYUKI EBIHARA,** Japan
3–**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
2–**HORACIO ACCAVALLO,** Argentina
4–**ALACRAN (EFRAN) TORRES,** Mexico
5–**ROCKY GATTELLARI,** Australia
6–**KATSUYOSHI TAKAYAMA,** Japan
7–**TAKESHI NAKAMURA,** Japan
8–**WALTER McGOWAN,** Scotland
9–**PUNTIP KEOSURIYA,** Thailand
10–**RATON MOJICA,** Nicaragua

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

NAMES	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHTS						
Jerry Quarry Los Angeles, Cal.	5/65	6	6	0	0	2
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS						
Freddie Drinnan England	2/65	2	2	0	0	1
MIDDLEWEIGHTS						
Len Gibbs Jamaica, B.W.I.	1/65	6	5	1	0	2
WELTERWEIGHTS						
Carmelo Hernandez Puerto Rico	6/65	10	8	1	1	5
LIGHTWEIGHTS						
Marcel Cerdan Jr. France	1/65	8	8	0	0	6
FEATHERWEIGHTS						
Alfonso Frazer Panama	4/65	5	5	0	0	5
BANTAMWEIGHTS						
Keith Tate England	1/65	12	10	1	1	4
FLYWEIGHTS						
Patrick Mambwe Zambia	5/65	3	3	0	0	1



SPECIAL PICTURE FEATURETTE

By NAT FLEISCHER

AT 10:49 P.M., on June 18, 1941, at New York's Polo Grounds, with 54,487 fight fans in the throes of a spectacular excitement, Billy Conn, of Pittsburgh, appeared to be the new heavyweight champion of the world, conqueror of the redoubtable Joe Louis.

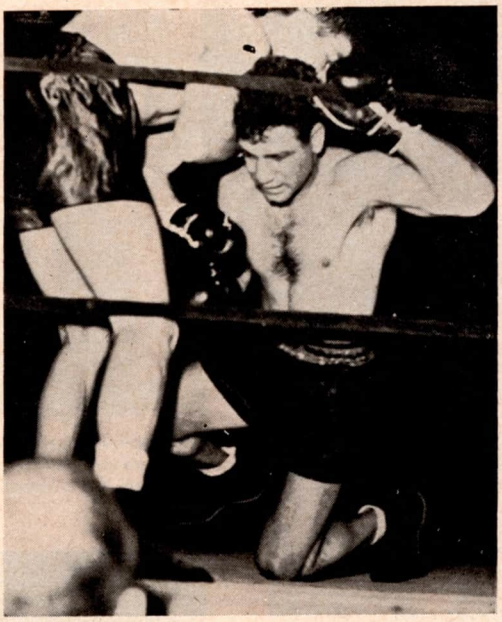
Going into the thirteenth round Conn, although outweighed by 25½ pounds, had the fight on points.

"You've got him," said Johnny Ray in Billy's corner. "Take it soft and easy. Don't get any crazy notions. Right now you are the champion."

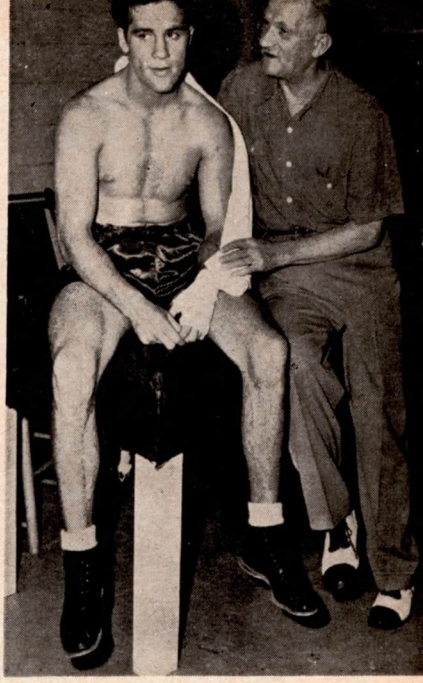
But the boy from East Liberty, Pa., Irish all the way, defiant, daffy, suddenly developed knockout ideas. Why not stop this supposedly unstoppable Louis? Why be content with a decision on points? Why not go all the way?"

In that memorable thirteenth round Conn's KO plan boomeranged. He tore into Louis, and Joe tore into Billy. With only two seconds left of that three minute interval, Billy Conn was knocked out.

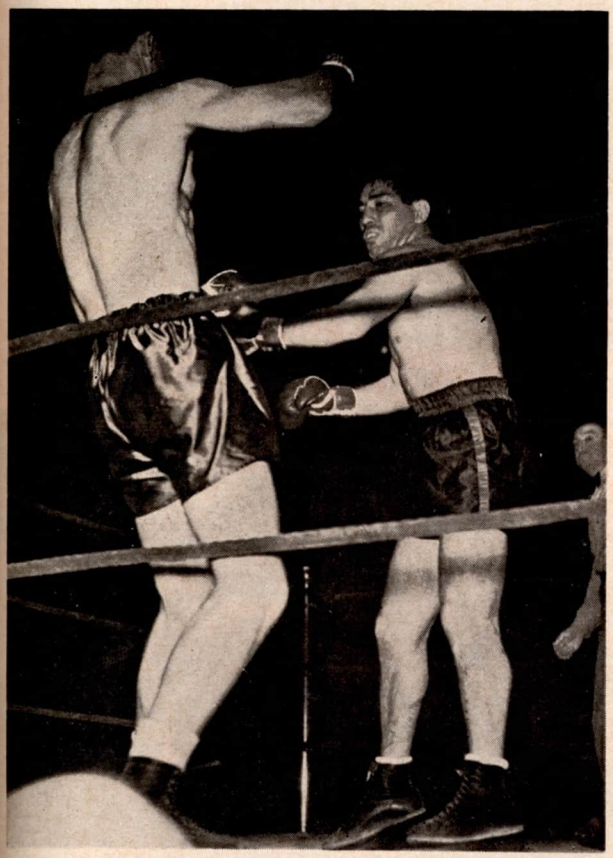
It was a fight to be talked about for years, a fight to be remembered. For 36

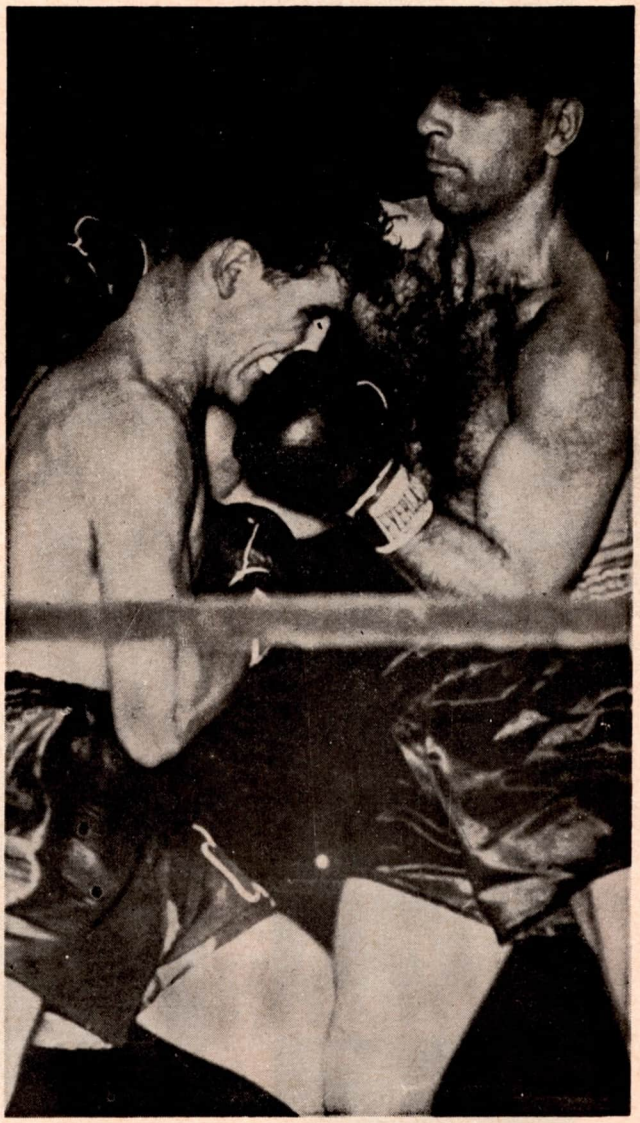


The date is January 6, 1939, and the locale is New York's Garden. No title is at stake but it is an important fight, nevertheless. Fred Apostoli, beaten that night by Billy Conn, has slipped to a knee.

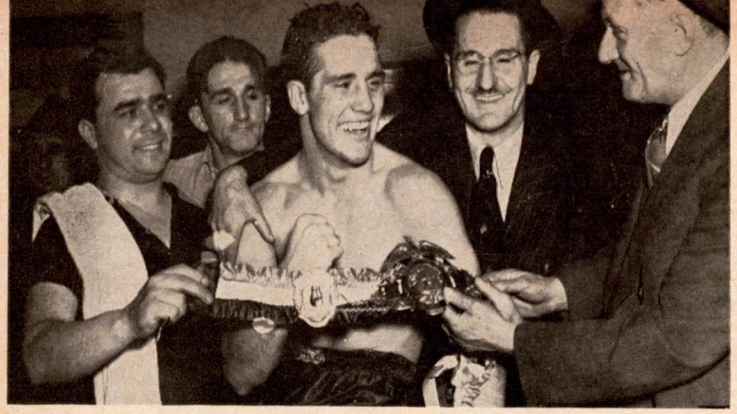


Conn is being sweet-talked by that wily and crafty veteran promoter Mike Jacobs, of New York, for whom the Irishman was to draw close to four million dollars in eleven fights, about $2,500,000 in two meetings with Joe Louis.





Left, the Pittsburgh Celt is taking a hard hook from Solly Krieger, in their third meeting. This was on May 12, 1939, in New York. Conn won. Right, William is beating Melio Bettina in July 1939, for N.Y. State light-heavy title.

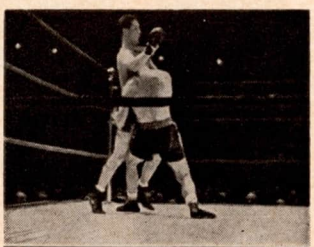


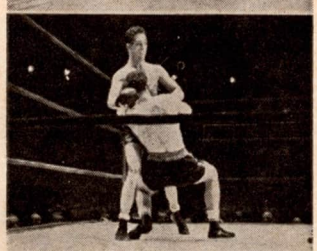
On November 17, 1939, Conn, defending the light-heavy championship, beat Gus Lesnevich. Billy is getting The Ring Magazine belt in a state of exuberation. Mike Jacobs is tendering his congratulations, copiously.

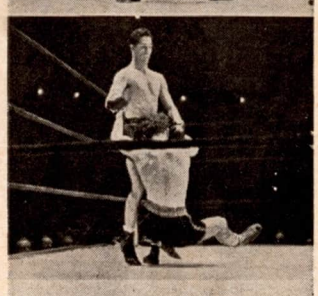
minutes the clever, crafty, point-greedy Pittsburgher gave one of the most consummate exhibitions in the history of championship combat.

Then the Big Idea and Conn tore into Joe with a left and a right to the head. Louis looked surprised. Billy continued to hold the offensive only briefly. Then came the deadly rebuttal. The aroused champion shot a right uppercut, then a right to the jaw, a very injurious one, and finally another right to the jaw which ended Conn's dream of world heavyweight supremacy.

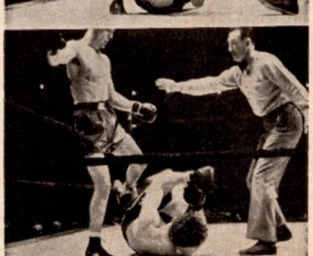
The smashing climax set up a demand for another fight, but the war prevented this until June 19, 1946.

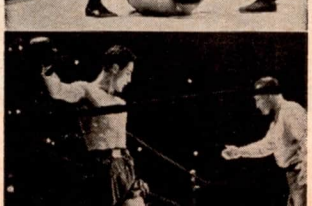


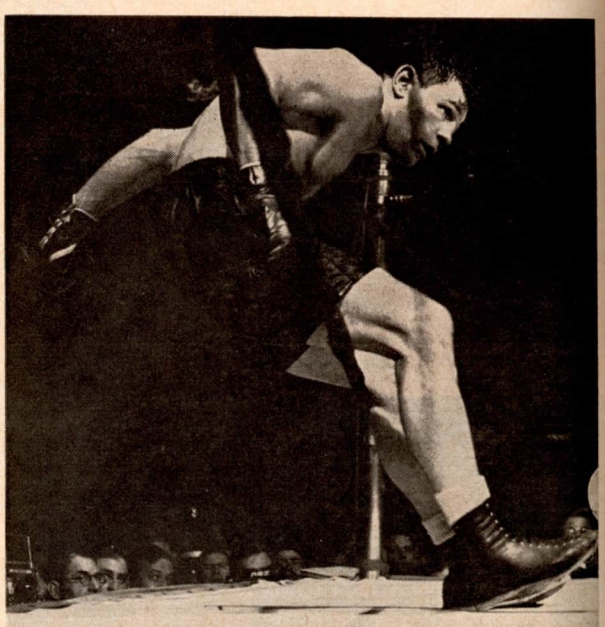




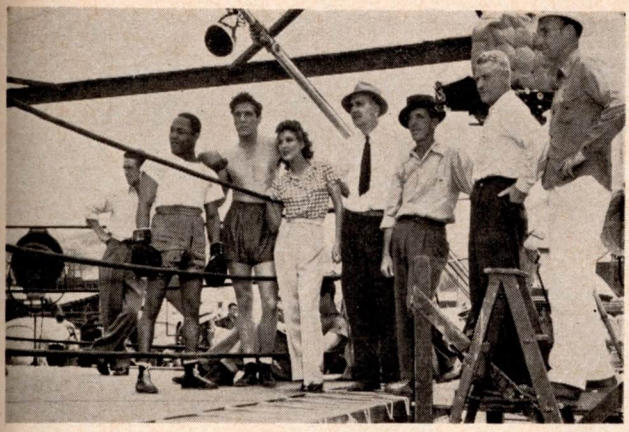
Here we have a section of a movie taken on the night of January 10, 1940, in the Garden, with Conn piling up points for a twelve round victory over Henry Cooper. Henry has slipped to the canvas and referee Arthur Donovan watches intently.



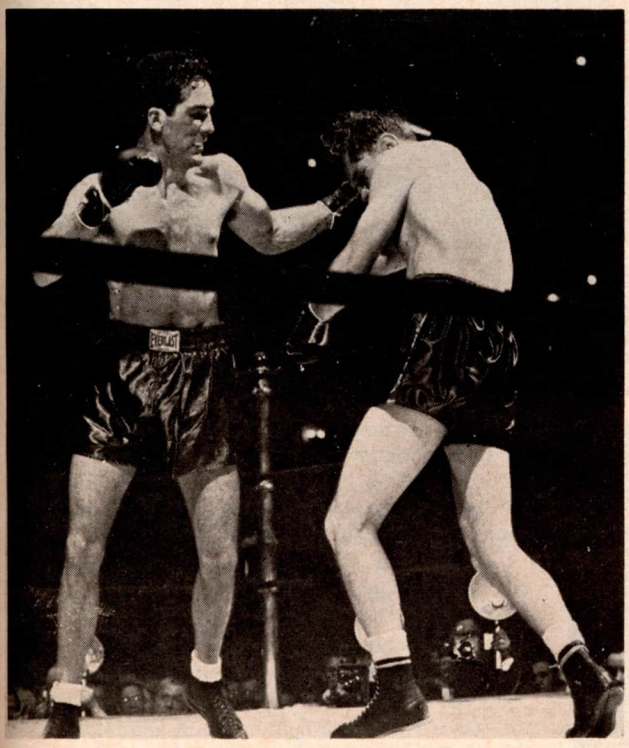




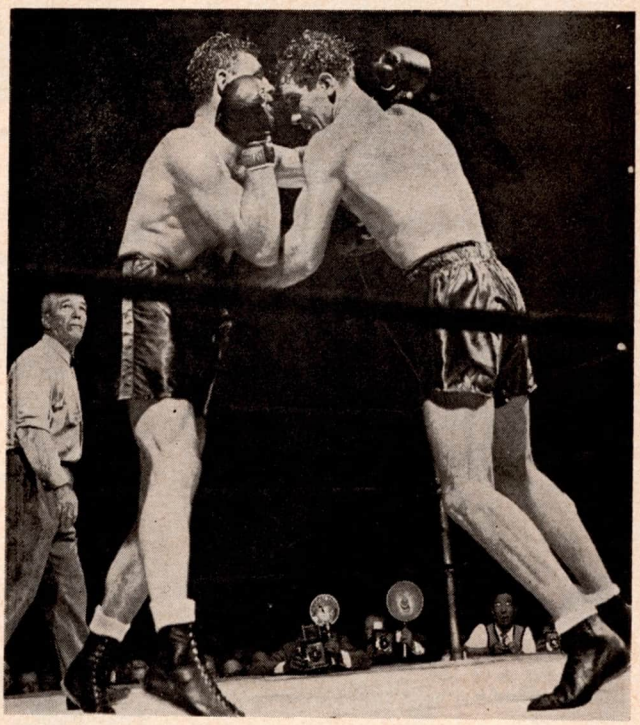
Above, Round 12. September 6, 1940. The guy going through the ropes is Bob Pastor. The unseen aggressor is Conn. Bob weathered that round but was knocked out in the thirteenth. Below, Conn taking his ease after a hard day's training.



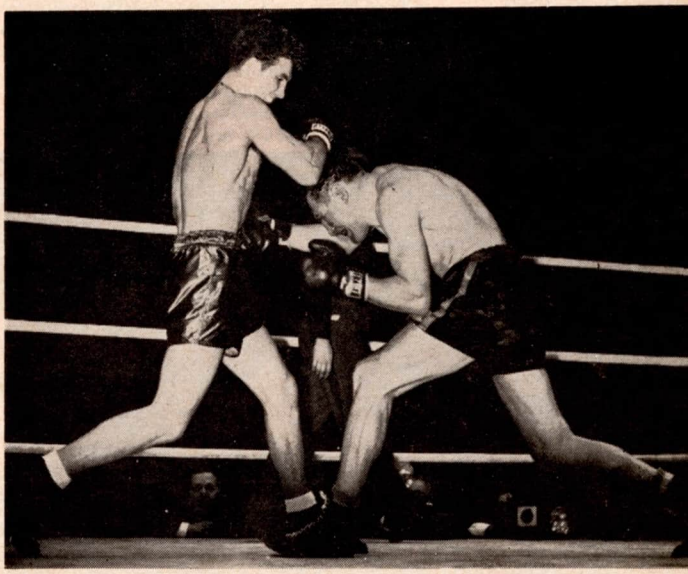
A Conn adventure in Hollywood. The movie, produced by Herbert G. Yates for Republic Pictures, is "The Pittsburgh Kid." It did not win an Oscar. The shot shows Henry Armstrong, Billy and Jean Parker, all in the movie.



No kindly feeling is reflected in Conn's puss as he pursues the job of beating Lee Savold in a twelve in New York in November 1940.



Back we go to the Pastor fight, important to Conn because Bob had gone ten and then eleven heats with Louis. Billy is landing a hard left to body in the thirteenth.



A Conn knockout success. Round eight, in Chicago. April 4, 1941. Gunnar Barlund is finding Conn's stomach. But soon the Pittsburgher hangs the fatal punch on the Scandinavian.

They met in Yankee Stadium, and this time there was nothing to it but Louis.

"This will be a farce," Gene Tunney said on the eve of the bout. "Conn has become a playboy, and Joe will cut him down."

Cut him down he did, in the eighth round, with a right cross to the jaw. Time, 2:19.

These two Louis fights highlight the ring history of Billy Conn, the Man Who Might Have Been.

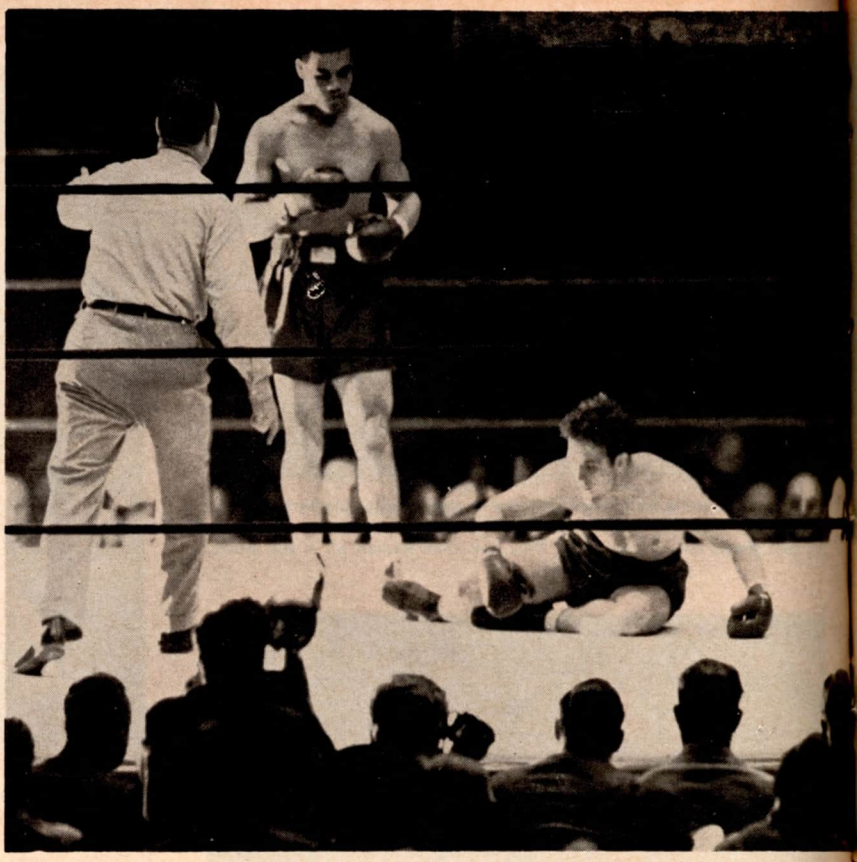
If Billy did not get the title, he got rich. He picked up $312,958, plus never revealed returns from movies, in the second battle, which drew $1,925,964 for Mike Jacobs.

Billy received $70,000 out of the $415,743 take in the first battle. With $350,000 available for investment Conn became interested in oil wells, and eventually became listed as a man of wealth.

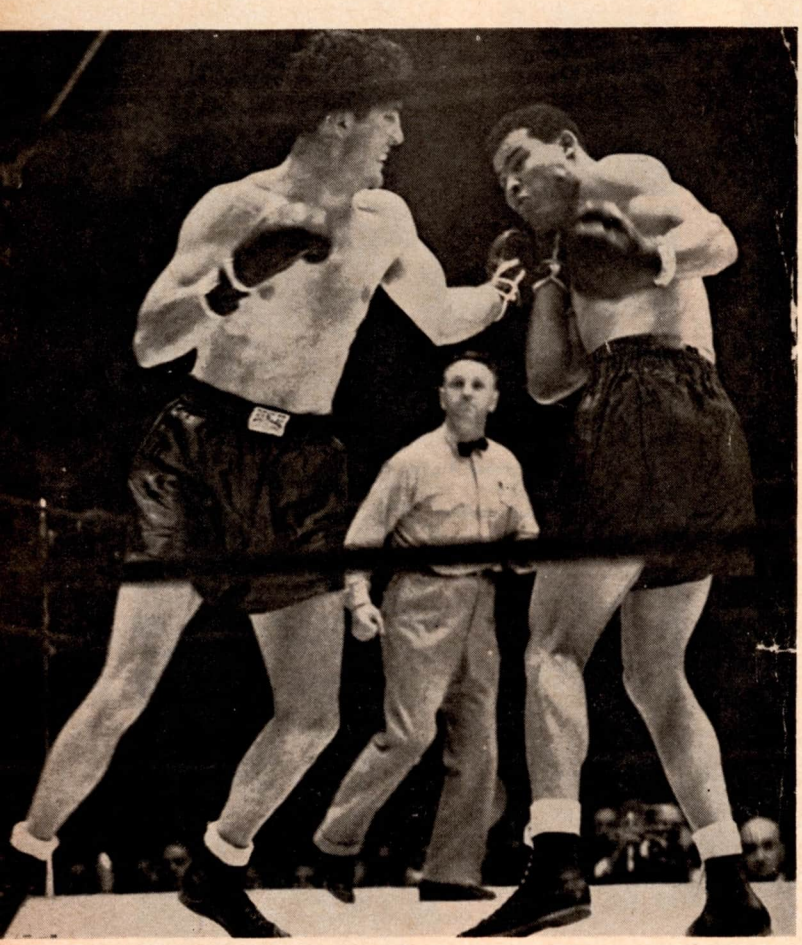
Having missed his second shot at the Brown Bomber, Conn decided to call it a career. He did have two more fights. Against worn Mike O'Dowd on November 15, 1948,at Macon, Ga., Billy won by a KO in the ninth. Ten days later he disposed of Jackie Lyons at Dallas, in nine, and on December 10, Conn had a six round exhibition with Louis in Chicago. That was it.

Conn's boxing career, started in 1935

Here we see the Celt in a strange role. He is turning out some interesting boxing drawings. Never a Willard Mullin, but quite an accomplished draughtsman.



A thrilling adventure comes to a sad end in the above shot. Conn just has been knocked out by Joe Louis in their heavyweight title fight at the Polo Grounds in New York, round 13, June 18, 1941. Below, a scene earlier in that fight, when Conn was piling up points and threatening to take the championship.



with a four round defeat by Dick Woodwer, took in 74 fights. He won 50 by decision, 14 by knockouts, altogether 64 victories. He lost eight decisions and was stopped twice, by Louis.

Conn was a good looking Gael, quick at repartee, engaging, jolly, always aggressive, sometimes to a raspy point, conceding nothing to anybody, cocky.

He was likable, competent. But he never was a real heavyweight and that was a severe handicap fighting Louis and others.

Conn did achieve the light heavyweight title, on September 25, 1939, in New York's Garden. He outpointed Melio Bettina, who had belted Tiger Jack Fox out of his way after John Henry Lewis had left the division.

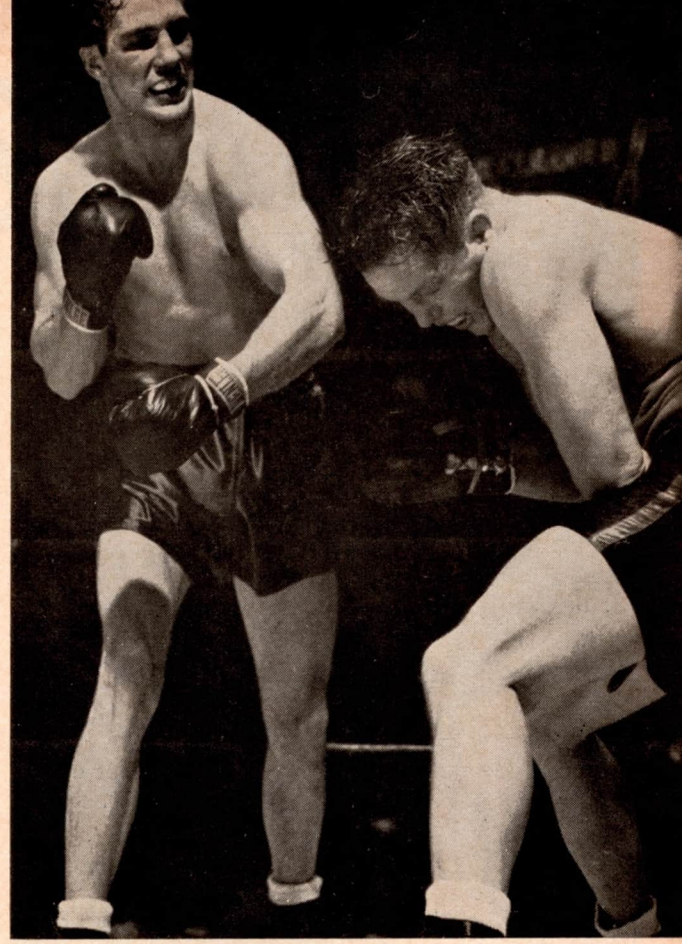
On June 6, 1940, Conn told the world that he had decided to abdicate as light heavyweight champion, to step up into contention with Joe Louis..

On June 5, Conn beat off the light heavy challenge of Gus Lesnevich, in Detroit. Billy also had done that a year earlier in New York.

After the second Lesnevich fight Conn had seven battles with heavier men. One of his victims, by knockout in 13, was Bob Pastor, who had gone eleven with Louis a year earlier.

Conn's drive toward the heavyweight title fight, started with the Pastor affair, continued with decisions over Al McCoy

A studio shot of William Conn, Pittsburgh Hothead, who came so close to dethroning Louis. Billy always was, and still is, a natty dresser.



Above and below, the Conn-Zale fight in February 1942, which Billy won. It was a 12 rounder. In one shot Conn has Tony sitting on a rope, all in. In the lower photograph Conn stands by while his foe extricates himself from the ropes. Zale was too light to make a strong battle against the heavier, clever Billy.

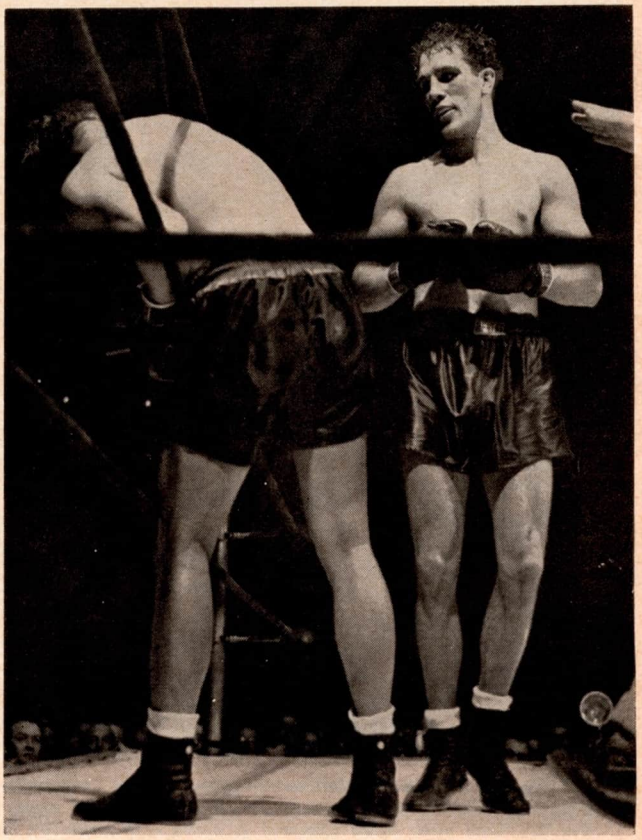
and Lee Savold, and knockouts over Ira Hughes, Don Hassett, Gunnar Barlund, and Buddy Knox.

There was a steady buildup for the Louis fight, and then Conn had to get that KO notion and foozle one of the greatest opportunities a heavyweight challenger had been confronted with since Jack Dempsey battered Jess Willard at Toledo.

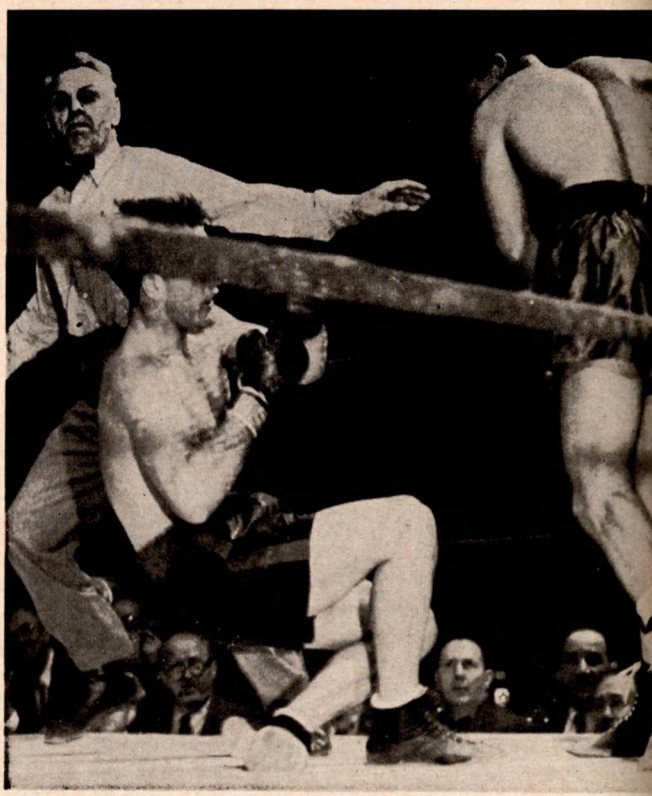
Conn says he did not begin to be a real fighter until he tangled with wise Honeyboy Jones, another Pittsburgher, in an eight rounder on May 27, 1936. Less than a week later there was a return bout, ten heats, and Conn won again. Billy was to meet Jones five times, with never a loss.

In 1937, Conn, not yet 20, engaged in seven fights, in five of which he met men who achieved the middleweight championship—Babe Risko, Vince Dundee, Teddy Yarosz, Young Corbett and Solly Krieger. He lost to Corbett and Krieger, whom he calls one of the most under-rated fighters in boxing annals.

One of his foes that year was Oscar Rankins, who, he says, hurt him more



Billy Conn, debonair as ever, now, in March 1942, is in the Army.



The second Conn-Louis fight, Yankee Stadium. Eighth round. Conn, scarcely resembling the man who had outpointed Louis for a dozen rounds, is knocked out in eight by the Brown Bomber.

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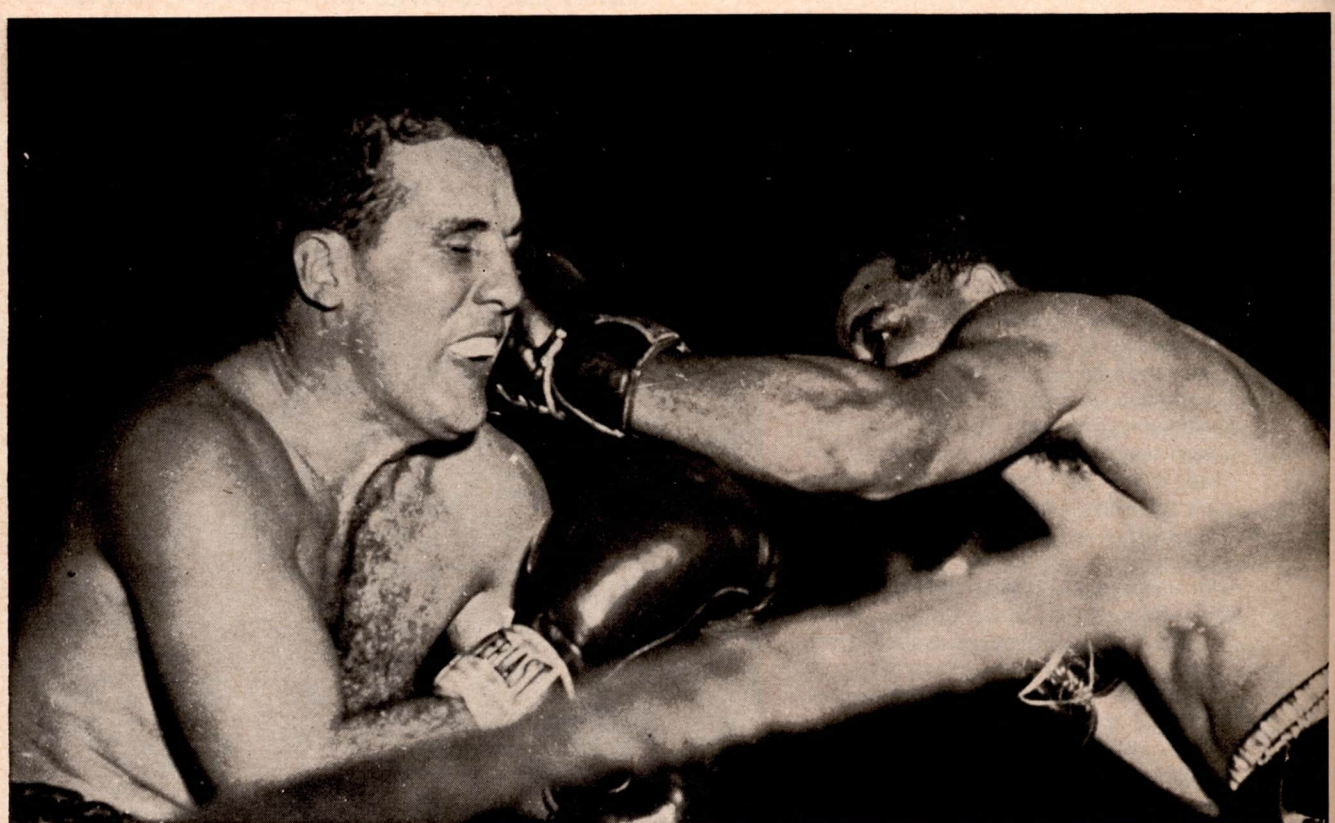
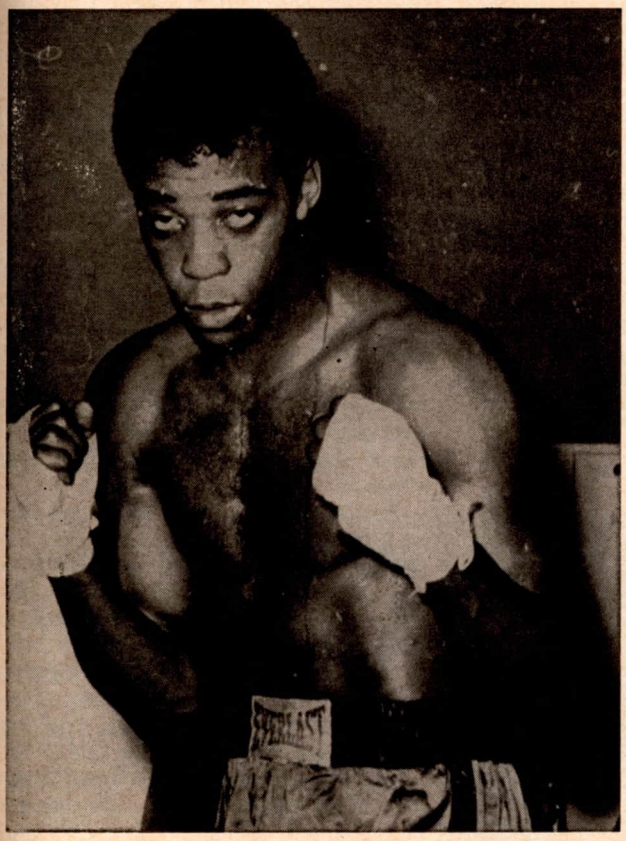
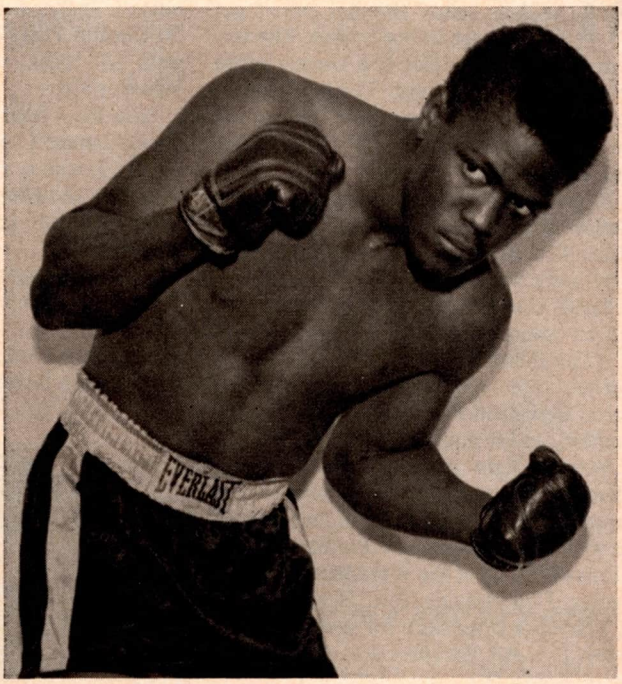


This thing is supposed to be just an exhibition, between Conn and Louis in Chicago on December 10, 1948. However, the six rounds are loaded with action. Conn took the first heat but the Bomber proved superior in the next five rounds. Joe landed a hard left to the side of Conn's head in the fifth. Conn never again appeared in a ring with gloves on. Louis announced his later repudiated retirement in March 1949, and did not actually quit until 1951.

SEATTLE SWINGERS





A fighting pair of newcomers, Art Adams (left) and George Gaston, hope to cut a wide swath on the road to fame and fortune by virtue of that sterling commodity, the big punch. Both battlers are piloted by Joe West of Seattle. Gaston, before turning pro, was a Seattle Golden Gloves champion two years running. Adams, a former Tacoma Golden Gloves titleholder for three consecutive years, has his heart set on being a top contender among the middles.

By RUGGLES LARSON

The Pacific Northwest received a reputation for punchers via the flying fists of Leo Lomski, Freddie Steele, Al Hostak and Pat McMurtry.

It's been a long time since the people of that region have had an opportunity to root for a fighter with a big punch.

Now, it's just possible they can start yelling again. There is an outside chance that newcomers George Gaston and Art Adams possess the power punches to put them in, or near, the likes of Lomski, Steele, Hostak and McMurtry.

Both boys are managed by Joe West of Seattle. Gaston is a light-heavyweight and Adams a 160 pounder.

Gaston ripped off five consecutive victories. He decisioned Ramon Hernandez at Eugene, Oregon, stopped Jim Robertson in four at Seattle, outpointed Frank Niblett in six at Los Angeles, kayoed Roy Smith in two at Seattle and decisioned Eddie Land at Boise, Idaho.

West figured Gaston was ready for better things and moved him in with California hotshot Roger Rouse. Gaston looked good in the first couple of rounds but experience started to show in the fourth and Rouse knocked out Gaston in the fifth.

Rouse, rated eighth by The Ring in the light heavyweight division, inflicted severe cuts around Gaston's eyes forcing the referee to stop the fight.

"I learned plenty losing to Rouse," Gaston told West. "I want him back as soon as my eyes heal. Next time around it's going to be a different story."

Gaston just might be right. He is only 23 years old and has a good amateur background. After breaking into the simonpures in 1962, Gaston won the Seattle Golden Gloves in 1963 and 1964. He owns a 34-4 record in the amateurs.

Adams, is twenty-two years old. In the amateurs he won thirty five of thirty eight contests. He captured the Tacoma Golden Gloves middelweight title for three consecutive years, 1962, to '64. During the same three years, Art finished as runner-up in the Seattle GG's. In 1964 Adams trekked to Spokane to win the Inland Empire Crown.

As a professional Art has scored five wins, four via the knockout route, in five bouts. He launched his career in Boise, Idaho, by stopping Gordon George in the first round. After decisioning Ed McGruder in Las Vegas, Adams kayoed Wally Troy at Boise in the seventh of a sheduled ten rounder.

Art flattened his next two opponents within four days. He put the lights out for Jeff Walls in the third round at Spokane and followed this achievement up by kayoing Bobo Trivilla at Prince George, B. C.

Manager West is sold on his two fighters because of their natural ability, clean living habits, determination to train and their love to fight.

Come Out Fighting

By ED BRENNAN

MADISON Square Garden matchmaker Teddy Brenner hasn't got all his eggs in one basket. The veteran fight man handles two singers when he's not pairing boxers. Teddy picks up side money from Lesley Gore, one of the country's top female rock 'n roll swingers, and Milan, a male balladeer.

Miss Gore is currently appearing in the motion picture "Stuff A Wild Bikini" . . . Milan had a tryout as centerfielder with New York Mets . . .

Rubin Carter is challenging Emile Griffith as "most travelled" fighter in world. . . . The Patterson Hurricane has been to Europe three times this year, stopping Fabio Berrini in Paris and Harry Scott in London, and losing to Scott in London.

Veteran fight manager and promoter Charley Johnston, who runs the wrestling shows at New York's Garden, has teamed up with mat maestro Jack Pfefer to put on a Folks Festival at the Westchester County Center Thanksgiving Eve, November 24 . . . No spot open here for Brenner's proteges . . . All vocalists are country and western singers . . .

Johnny Attell, who made the matches at old clubs like Broadway Arena, Queensboro Arena, Ridgewood Grove and Dexter Park, is now Director of Public Relations for ABC Freight Forwarding of New York. Frances Hogan, the voice of Madison Square Garden's boxing department for more than twenty years, is back at her switchboard in perfect form after four months absence due to illness.

Jean Cohen, wife of Sunnyside Garden promoter Irving, who also managed Rocky Graziano and Billy Graham, is recuperating from heart attack. Sunnyside Garden owner Manny Heicklein also recovering from heart attack suffered about same time. Rocky Graziano purchased contract of Long Island middleweight Irish Bob Cassidy from Johnny O'Rourke for $2,000.

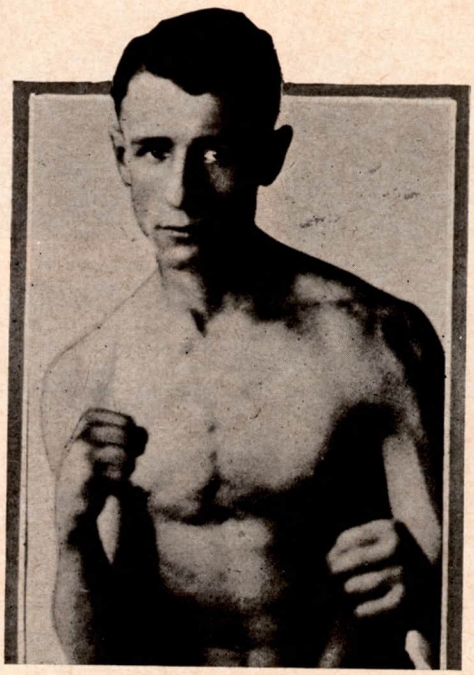
Benneto Payine, who fought in '30s and '40s under name of Indian Benney Deathpain, has successful massage business. Second edition of Harry Pegg's "Boxiana Review" deals with oldtimers . . .

Johnny Sullo, who has trained just about every big name fighter in the business for the past twenty years, has returned to work on assembly line at Canada Dry at Maspeth, L.I. Johnny was out of work a year because of broken arm suffered in accident at work. He is training Cassidy for Graziano . . .

Sid Terris, who received $35,000 for Ruby Goldstein six rounder on benefit show at Polo Grounds June 15, 1927, is office manager for Stampler's Restaurant, 50 Central Park West in NYC . . . Goldstein is crack salesman for Schenley Whiskey Co. . . .

Non-tile bout between lightweight champ Ismael Laguna and No. I contender Nicolo Loche at Buenos Aires drew $60,-000. Return between these two with Laguna's title on line should be around $100,000.

One time welter contender Georgie Zengaras is tending bar at Connie's on 57th Street, NYC . . . Former all time featherweight champ Willie Pep has offered to box benefit for too sick ex-welter-



Sid Terris, shown in his heyday of the 1920s, is now office manager for Stampler's Restaurant on Central Park West, N.Y.C.

weight champ Marty Servo in latter's native city of Schenectady, N.Y. . . .

Johnny O'Rourke, in charge of Welfare Fund for Operating Engineers at Farmingdale, L.I., deserves bravos from fight people for reviving pro boxing at Freeport, L.I. outdoor area. . . . Two welcome visitors to Ring Magazine offices recently were Ring writer Jersey Jones, who is recuperating from illness, and Hank Kaplan, Florida correspondent for the Ring.

My pick for best fighter, pound-for-pound, is Billy Conn, former light heavy champ out of Pittsburgh. Conn weighed 167 pounds night he almost took heavy crown from great Joe Louis. Conn would have taken good care of Cassius Clay. The thing I want to get straightened out is Conn vs Sugar Ray Robinson. This one would have been real easy for Billy.

Eddie Cotton, at 39, is oldest fighter in Ring Ratings. The Seattle 175-pounder has been as high as No. 5 among light heavyweights this year. Managed by George Cheneres, Cotton has been fighting 19 years in the pros.

New Jersey fight manager Sam Sibilio hasn't asked anybody directions since he stopped his car loaded with fighters on Long Island and asked a fellow, "How do I get to Freeport?" . . . The obliging fellow misunderstood Sibilio and Sam and his fighters wound up at Kennedy International Airport, which is twenty miles from Freeport.

Boston Promoter Sam Silverman high on New York welter Lou Raftis, born in Patras, Greece. Silverman has used Raftis four times in New England area. Lou travelled more than 200 miles and racked up three kayos and one decision.

"This Raftis kid is the best looking prospect I've seen in a long time," says Silverman. "Give this boy one more year and he'll be ready for a shot at the title."

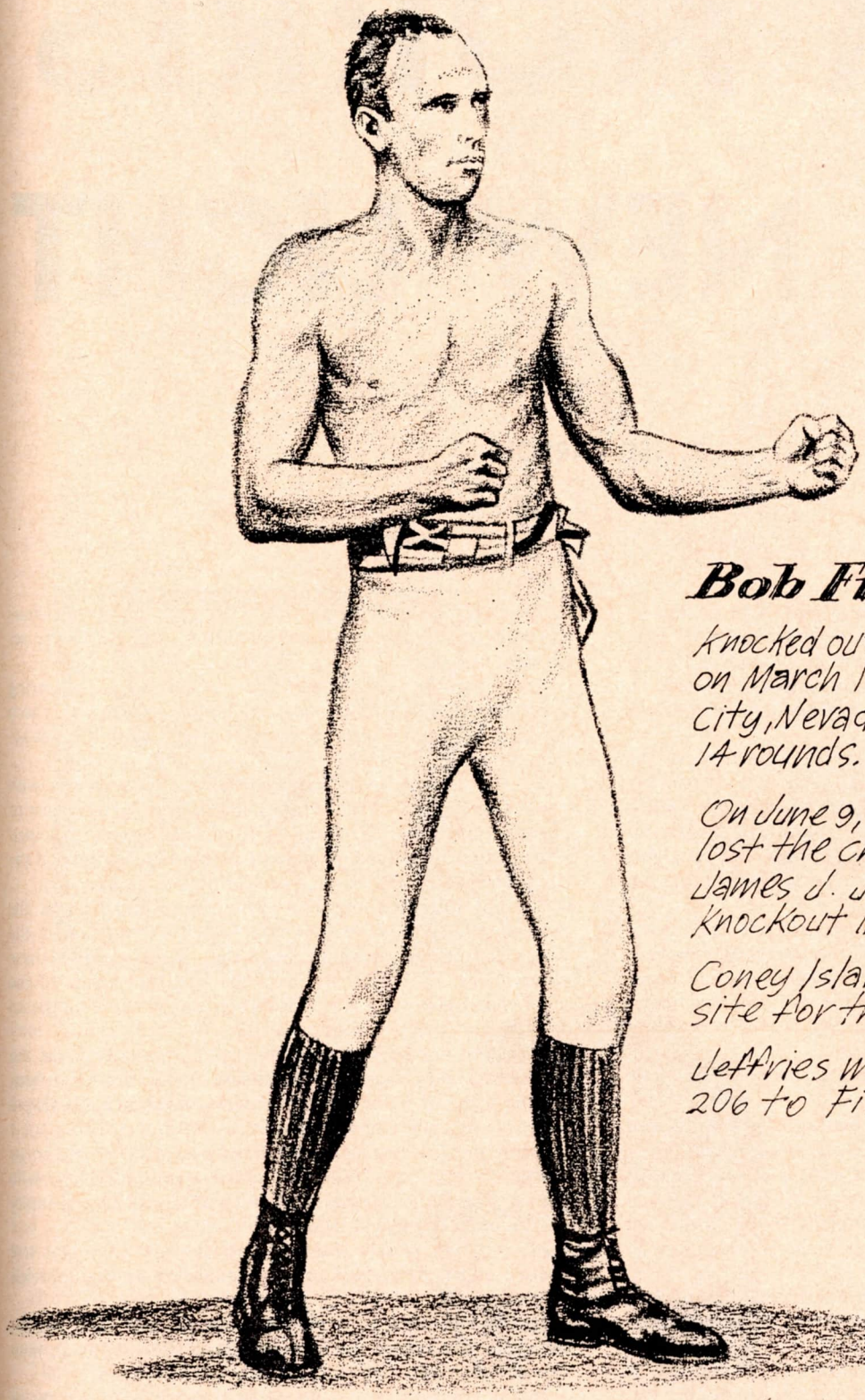
The clock ran out on too many members of the boxing world . . . recently the Death March includes: Jimmy August, New York trainer who handled 175 pound champ Melio Bettina and one time light heavy contender Tiger Jack Fox; Charley Bauer, manager of James J. Beattie; Benny Burton, 25 year old Oakland, Calif., 135 pounder killed in auto accident.

Eddie Brink, who fought Tony Canzoneri, England's Johnny Bee who boxed Ted Kid Lewis; Harvey Thorpe, the "Fighting Dutchman"; Lester Malitz, owner of the closed circuit TV firm; John Stanley, English heavy who fought Harry Wills; and Freddy Mills, ex-175 pound champ.

One time New England light heavy contender Johnny Bassett now lives in Park Forest, Illinois and works for a law enforcement agency of the U.S. Government . . . If boxing is dead some one should tell the public. The biggest attraction at the Schaefer Center at N.Y. World's Fair are boxers. They outdraw athletes in all other sports.

Midget Smith, one time crack bantam during days of Peter Herman, Joe Lynch, Frankie Burns, Johnny Buff and young Jack Sharkey, recovering nicely from eye surgery at New York Veterans Hospital.

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONS — PORTRAIT No. 3



Bob Fitzsimmons

Knocked out James J. Corbett on March 17, 1897 in Carson City, Nevada. The bout went 14 rounds.

On June 9, 1899 Fitzsimmons lost the championship to James J. Jeffries via a knockout in the 11th round.

Coney Island was the site for this fight.

Jeffries weighed in at 206 to Fitzsimmons' 167.

JIM NORRIS IN A NEW LIGHT

By TED CARROLL

THE criterion of any regime or system, be it politics or pugilism, is how the public fares under it. In the light of what has happened since the dissolution of the International Boxing Club and the dethronement of James D. Norris as boxing's great monopolist, a re-appraisal of his reign is in order.

It is no more than fair to make comparisons between the Norris Era and the chaotic conditions which have claimed big fight operations since his time. The dark clouds under which Big Jim made his boxing exit become more and more rainbow hued as time's perspective dispels them, and grudging admissions that "Things were never this bad, under the old IBC," become more frequent.

Looking back to the days of home televised title fights under the IBC one cannot resist the thought that James D. may have been more Santa Claus than sinner. Recalling the old adage that "You never miss the water until the well runs dry" under the Norris system was the public actually blessed with a bargain that was never appreciated?

As the late Alfred E. Smith so often advised, "Let's look at the record."

Back in 1957, The International Boxing Club, represented by James D. Norris and Arthur M. Wirtz, was found guilty of monopolistic practices by Federal Court Judge Sylvester J. Ryan, in New York. The decision demanded that Norris and Wirtz dispose of their stock—worth $2,500,000—in Madison Sq. Garden, and that they also dissolve the IBC divisions in New York and Chicago.

This finding was one of the harshest interpretations of anti-trust legislation since the enactment of the Clayton and Sherman laws.

The IBC naturally appealed, and on Jan. 12, 1959, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the Ryan ruling by a vote of 5 to 3. The court concurred that there had been anti-trust violation but called Judge Ryan's decision too punitive.

Judge Ryan then softened his original stricture by limiting the IBC to promoting no more than two world championship fights a year, and allowing the New York and Chicago divisions to continue as separate units of operation. This led to the retirement of Norris.

His departure was accompanied by considerable cheering in certain quarters, with a good portion of the public—to whom the term "monopoly" ever is anathema—joining in the not-so-fond farewells.

But the rejoicing over Norris' withdrawal was viewed with some misgivings by unbiased and practical-minded members of the fistic fraternity. "You can't tell me that boxing is helped when a guy with ten million bucks gets out of it," grumbled the late Eddie Walker one of the shrewder fight managers.

Nor did this publication join in the general hurrah over the passing of Norris. Writing in the March 1959 issue of the Ring, Dan Daniel dared the lions' den of dissent with these observations. . . ." How true is it that the IBC killed off the small clubs? How true is it that Norris sought the elimination of these hatcheries of young talent?

"Whether one backs the IBC or the D'Amato crusade, the fact remains that Norris and Wirtz sustained in American boxing the financial bona fides and responsibility it had enjoyed under the suzerainty of Mike Jacobs.

"How much longer could big boxing have been able to go on with promoters of doubtful financial responsibility, who worked spasmodically, and were out not to protect continuity of action but to milk situations?

"It will be intensely interesting to see how D'Amato will operate under the state of affairs brought on by the Supreme Court decision. . . ."

Daniel concluded. . . ." "Perhaps too, the small fry, the fly-by-nights, will regard the Supreme Court decision as an invitation to dash back into their old unhealthy practices."

In the competitive free-for-all, initiated by D'Amato's refusal to do business with the Garden, and the abdication of Norris, almost every segment of the world outside boxing has gotten into the promotional act.

These have included an Olympic heavyweight champion,

Pete Rademacher, who not only fought for the heavyweight title in his first professional bout but put together the entire caper; Ivy League invaders Willie Rosensohn and Cecil Rhodes, who left fight people wondering just what courses they studied in Williams College and Princeton, respectively; lawyer Roy M. Cohn and well-travelled agent Bill Fugazy: and two brother acts, the barrister Bolans and the concessionaire Nilons.

Hovering over all has been the spectre of pay TV, and the interests who look upon it as a road to golconda.

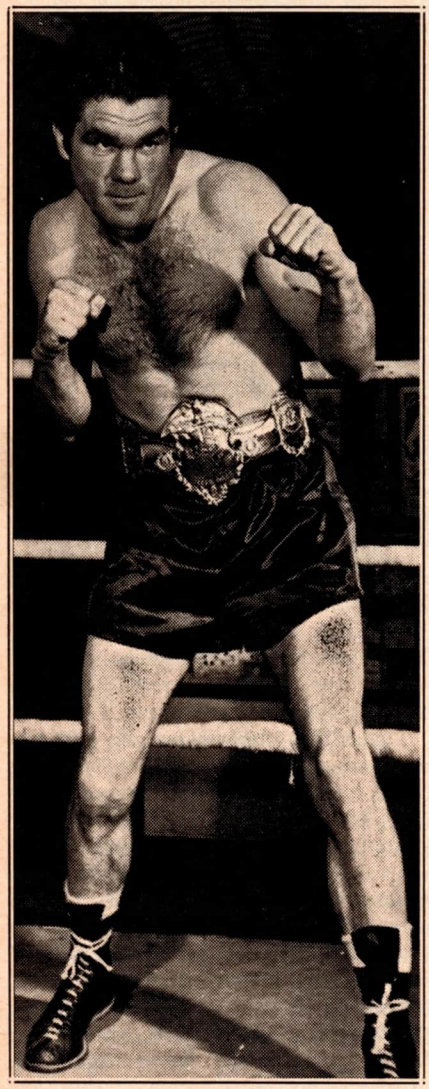
The machinations of all these have left boxing reeling, sick at the stomach.

No one need be reminded of the punishment suffered by the public since the ring game became subject to open competition. This brings us back to our original question: Was Norris's reign a benefice or a horror?

Under IBC auspices, the title fight was the main item on the fistic bill of fare being furnished free for the looking, in living room comfort. One might see such gratis presentations as Sugar Ray Robinson's classic one punch knockouts of Gene Fullmer and Bobo Olson; Ezzard Charles winning Joe Louis' vacated title by beating Jersey Joe Walcott; Archie Moore winning the light heavyweight championship from Joey Maxim; Patterson becoming the heavyweight champion by stopping Moore; the savage welterweight title matches between Carmen Basilio and Tony Demarco, lightweight champion Joe Brown defending his title against a succession of challengers with masterful performances; Archie Moore defending his crown successfully against the strong challenge of *(Continued on page 41)*

Mills Passing Stirs Memories

By
NAT FLEISCHER



Freddie Mills as he looked when he beat Gus Lesnevich for light heavy title in July 1948.

THE decades preceding World War II and the ten years following the Allied victory, were among the most productive in British boxing history, both from a financial point and in newly developed talent.

The period was a revival of that golden era in which the four greats of British pugilism, Jem Driscoll, Jimmy Wilde, Ted Kid Lewis and Owen Moran, thrived. Boxing clubs prospered and an influx of American pugilists brought British boxing interest to its highest pitch.

The death of Freddie Mills on July 25, brought back stirring memories of those lush years. Memories of pulse quickening contests before sell-out crowds I witnessed in London and other cities in Great Britain.

Mills was a part of that rich picture. He played a major role as an active fighter, then as a TV commentator, writer, promoter and business figure. He kept boxing in the public eye.

During those twenty odd years boxing became a highly specialized business with promoters Jack Solomons and Harry Levine, the top men in the field, and Freddie playing a big role in aiding them to success.

Among the top British talent developed during those years, Mills was one of the most popular. He was the first British Empire champion to win a world championship in a heavier division since Ted Kid Lewis' prime.

Freddie became a national hero when, on July 26, 1948, he defeated Gus Lesnevich in London to win the world light heavyweight title.

Gus, who died on February 28, of last year, confided to me that the fight was his toughest and that if Mills gained weight, he had an excellent chance of becoming the heavyweight king.

Mills unfortunately was a one-shot champion. He lost his world title the first time he defended it when Joey Maxim relieved him of the crown in London, January 24, 1950, the Cleveiander scoring a knockout in the tenth round of a vicious two-fisted battle.

In that contest Mills' jaw was shattered and two of his teeth were knocked out. But the damage failed to cause Freddie to quit. But he did toss in the sponge the following day when he announced his retirement from ring activity.

It was in 1942 that Freddie came to the front for the first time, when he won the British Empire heavyweight title by knocking out Len Harvey, one of Britain's cleverest ringmen.

So badly had Maxim whipped Mills that Freddie had to undergo surgery for the removal of five slivers of bone from his jaw. Following the operation Freddie remarked:

"I gained my goal. I took one of the highest honors a British fighter can win and now I'll turn to other fields."

He went into show business as a song and dance man and was so successful that his services were in demand on television. As a boxing broadcaster he became a fixture among the fight fans of Great Britain. His general comment mixed with his humor made a hit with the listeners.

Prior to turning to professional boxing for a living, Mills traveled from city to city as a performer in boxing booths. He made a hit from the start and it didn't require too much persuasion to induce him to join the ranks of the club fighters.

He married the daughter of his famous manager, Ted Broadribb, who was an international boxer in his prime. The stocky-jawed Mills was a determined man who never failed to gain his goal. He had strength, stamina, fighting skills.

During the war he was a sergeant in the R.A.F. and despite his burden, he found time to entertain the service men with ring contests. He twice defeated Jock McAvoy. When he stopped Harvey, it was the first kayo Len had suffered in a career covering two decades. The Mills left hook did the trick.

On May 14, 1946, Lesnevich stopped Mills in ten, but two years later Freddie got his revenge with his decision over the American.

Freddie lost to Bruce Woodcock in 12 rounds in his first battle following defeat by Gus, then was stopped by heavyweight Bruce in a contest before losing the light heavy title to Maxim.

He also was halted in the sixth round by Joe Baksi of America, in an international bout before a sell-out gathering.

Mills opened a Chinese restaurant after quitting broadcasting, then turned it into a night club. It was outside the club that he was found shot in his car reportedly a suicide. No reason was apparent for this tragedy.

Freddie Mills was a connecting link between the British era of boxing in booths at fairs, and fighting in the lush surroundings of the National Sporting Club.

Mills moved right into the lush era as if to the manor born.

Freddie was born at Parkstone in Dorset on June 26, 1919. He was only fifteen when he began to fight in the booths. He was a stripling of seventeen when he made his formal debut, at Bournemouth, his original base. He met Reg Davis on March 25, 1936, and stopped him in two rounds.

In his first ten fights, Mills scored eight knockouts and was held to two draws.

A summarization of his career shows 96 fights, with 73 victories, 52 of them by kayo, 21 by decision.

He was outpointed 11 times, appeared in 6 drawn battles, and suffered 6 knockouts.

He was a good friend, a thoroughly honest fighter, a game man.

what are they doing now?

Pena, Early Puerto Rico Feather, Postal Worker

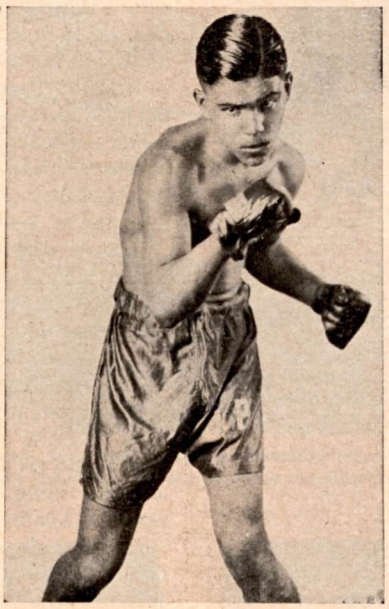
By JERSEY JONES

JOSE TORRES' smashing triumph over Willie Pastrano in their Madison Square Garden battle for the world light heavyweight championship recalled that ancient superstition that "things go in threes."

Torres was the third Puerto Rican to become world champion. His predecessors were bantamweight Sixto Escobar and lightweight Carlos Ortiz.

Boxing has made rapid strides in Puerto Rico, just as it has throughout the rest of Latin-America. Title contenders there were fairly common before Escobar. During the 20's Angel Clivelle found juicy pickings in United States rings, particularly in New York and Milwaukee. But he never reached the stage at which he could challenge for the middleweight title.

In New York, he became a popular attraction at the old Commonwealth Club in Harlem, where he climaxed a spectacular run of knockouts by polishing off Rene DeVos, highly rated Belgian, in one round. In Milwaukee he knocked out Frankie Battaglia and Tait Littman, two other ranking contenders for the middleweight title.



JOHNNY PENA

As he looked in his featherweight heyday 40 years ago when he was in title contention.

Among other notable performances, Clivelle posted K.O.'s over Johnnie Luchioni, Teddy Bear and Eddie Hutgren in New York, Tiger West in Pittsburgh and Willie Oster in Chicago.

Although born in Puerto Rico, Carlos Ortiz learned his boxing in New York and he and his record are too well known to warrant detailed resume.

The first Puerto Rican to fight for a world title was Johnny Pena. During the late 20's and early 30's when the featherweight title was in dispute, he had several cracks at the disputed sections, but was unsuccessful. He met Tommie Paul, Fidel LaBarba, Jackie Wilson, Freddie Miller and Midget Wolgast. One particularly noteworthy bout in Pena's career was with Eddie Shea in Chicago. It was the first 15 round bout held in Illinois under the present boxing law. The decision was a draw.

When he decided in 1938 to call it a career, Pena had crowded a total of 184 bouts into eleven years of campaigning. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army, putting in three years overseas, mostly in North Africa and Italy.

Pena was not one to rest on past laurels. Discharged in 1945, he became a busy jobhunter and held down an assortment of assignments until he connected with the U.S. Postal Service. He is still there, in Union City, N.J.

LITTLE COWBOY WITH BIG PUNCH

By LARRY AGIN

All the cowboys in Westerns on TV are big, hard punchers from the Far West.

But even the kids are wise to those hulking, rock 'em and sock 'em film fighters. For some reason, though, watching two large cowboys breaking up tables and chairs is exciting.

But none of them are as exciting to see in action as Cowboy Billy Smith.

If you and the kids ever saw Cowboy Billy Smith walking the streets of his hometown, you'd be disappointed, because he is only 5 feet 4 inches, weighs 112 pounds and lives in Steubenville, Ohio.

You catch this Cowboy Billy Smith throwing punches in the ring and you have to go for him. The kid is all action. He is the current holder of the American flyweight title.

Cowboy Billy has been boxing professionally two and a half years and has compiled a record of 16-1.

Smith's lone loss was a fourteen round knockout at the hands of Brockton's Ronnie Decost. But Cowboy Billy avenged that defeat in a return match via a 15 round decision and put in his claim for the American flyweight crown.

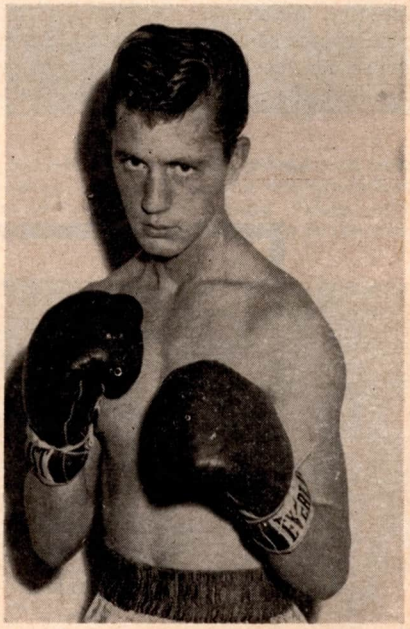
In his last two starts Smith has stopped Roger Frenchett in six rounds and Joey Gouldonio in two. All told, he has kayoed 10 opponents.

Smith has run up victories over other good boys such as Tommy Fix (three times); Carlos Zayes and Ray Jutas. The Cowboy is a clever boxer who can fight from a standup or weave and bob position.

Cowboy Billy's goal is to bring the world flyweight title back to America. That crown is now held by Italy's Salvatore Burruni. If Smith keeps winning, he and Barruni are going to be a natural in a title tiff.

But the Cowboy knows he is about ten fights away from a championship fight with the Italian. However, the way Smith is going, it's hard to pick out a fighter who's going to stop him from getting in the ring with Barruni.

If, and when, that times comes, Cowboy Billy Smith will be ready. He started boxing in the amateurs when he was fifteen. He engaged in 42 bouts, winning 40. Of those victories, 28 were knockouts.



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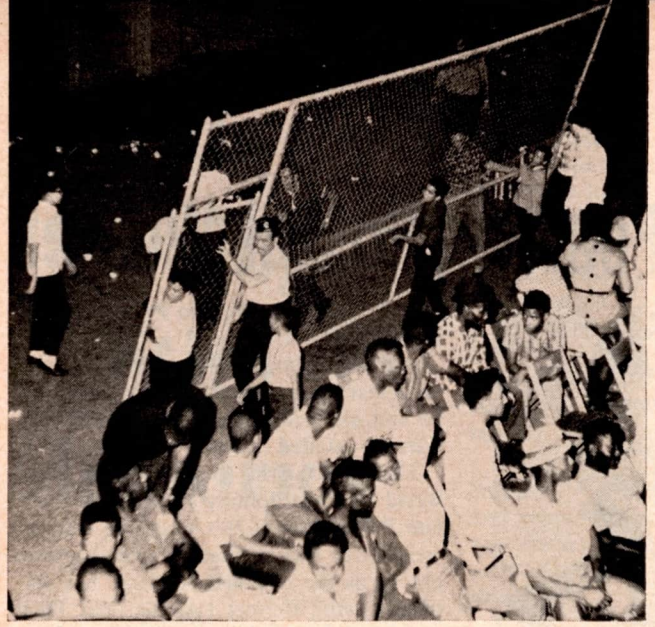


Here you see the first section of the Tampa cage being set up. Some of the fans were so eager to see the battle get under way that they assisted the armory maintenance crew in the somewhat arduous task.

six terrors in a cage

By FLOYD ALLEN

TAMPA, FLA:—Luke Brown and Jake Smith, two big country boys from Kentucky who like to "rassle" so much that they do it for a living, are among the most popular grapplers in the entire Southeast. Luke stands a modest six feet nine inches, while Jake towers over him at seven feet. Each weighs in the vicinity of 350 pounds.

The Assassins, on the other hand, are a pair of masked villains whom nobody seems to like. They employ such maneuvers as getting a man in their corner and working him over, jumping out of the ring for a quick "breather" when the going gets too rough, and of course the customary hair-pulling and choke holds. There is even cause to suspect that at least one of the Assassins carries a small, sharp metal object concealed in his trunks, and that each of them uses it on the opposition from time to time.

The paths of these two teams have crossed on several occasions, and each time somebody got carried out. Luke and Jake hate the Assassins for the masked men's sneaky tactics, while the hooded duo scorn the Kentuckians for the latter's rural bearing and lack of finesse. A series of matches accounted for a lot of blood, but left neither team with a decided edge.

It is not surprising that the Assassins, being the more experienced and ring-wise of the two teams, were the first to find a way to break the stalemate. One evening they showed up for a match with a third partner in tow. Their accomplice was dressed as they were: in a full length yellow and black suit of wrestling tights and a mask. He was supposed to "advise and observe"—at least that's what the Assassins told the referee. After about the fifth warning, the official disqualified the Assassins for their friend's interference.

The new man is known as "The Avenger." He was said (by the Assassins) to possess almost inhuman strength, which they intended to "hold in reserve until such time as it was needed."

It didn't take long for the Kentuckians to challenge the Assassins to another match. These two big country boys weren't about to be scared off by three masked men when they'd handled two before. But while Luke and Jake tried several partners, the Assassins-plus-Avenger combination always seemed to come out on top in the six-man competition.

This was bad news for two men who had succeeded on the basis of brute strength, sheer determination and little else. It was hard for Luke and Jake to cope with men who had the formal training and experience that a boy can't get in the back woods of Kentucky, but they had managed.

However they now found themselves up against superior numbers as well. The glory of past victories faded as Luke and Jake faced their dilemma: How were two big old country boys like themselves to compete with *three* experienced professionals who knew and used every dirty trick in the book?

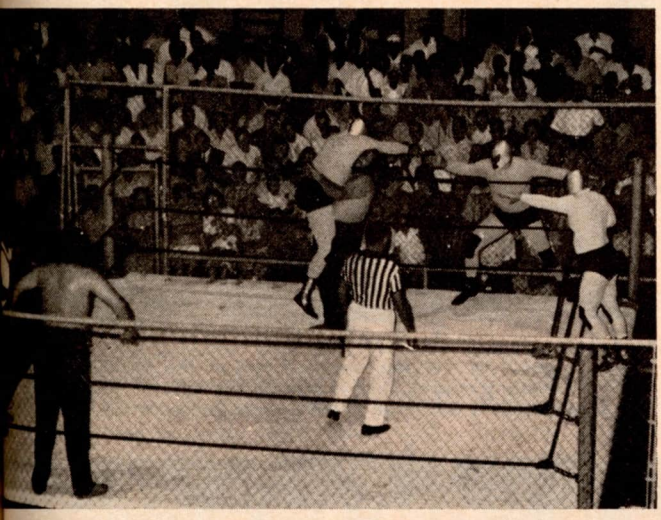
"It's really very simple," a friend told them one day, "Just find another big old country boy like yourselves and your problem is solved."

It sounded too easy but this just could be the answer to their problems. The wrestling profession had just such a man, and he was a friend of theirs.

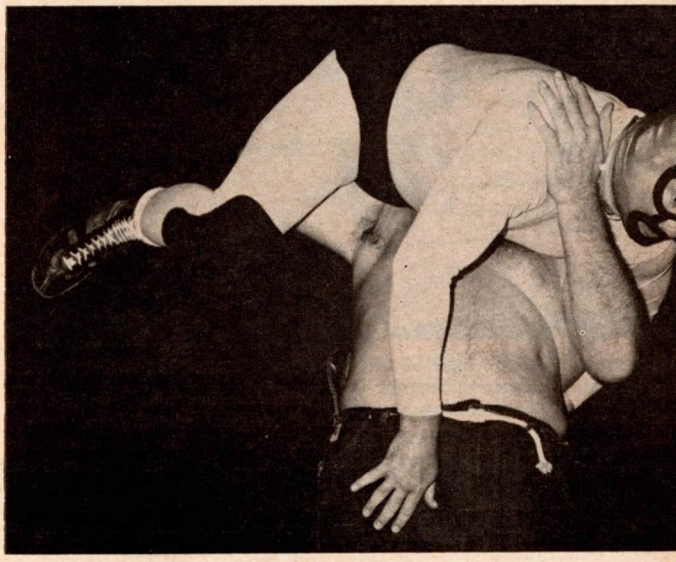
Two days later, Haystacks Calhoun was on his way to join Luke and Jake in Tampa, Fla. The huge 600 pounder from Morgan's Corner, Arkansas, had to cancel several important engagements, but his buddies had said they needed him, and they came first!

By this time, the masked trio were convinced that they were unbeatable. The Kentuckians no longer held any dread for them now that they were three instead of two. As for Haystacks, he was "just another country bumpkin" as far as they

The cage is up. No escape. Announcer Gordon Solie makes the perfunctory introductions—the Kentuckians and Haystacks on the left, and the Assassins and the Avenger on the right. Note that while the ring is regulation size it is none too roomy for 600 pound Calhoun.



The Assassins start off with fury and bravado. They were going to make hash of the enormous battlers from Arkansas. But it wasn't long before Haystacks et al tore into the Assassins and made them wish there was some way to leave.



Above, there are 350 pounds of Luke Brown behind that bear hug and the victim is feeling a bit rocky. Try this exercise before breakfast. It's guaranteed to make you hungry. Below, Jake Smith is about to send one of the Assassins crashing to the mat.

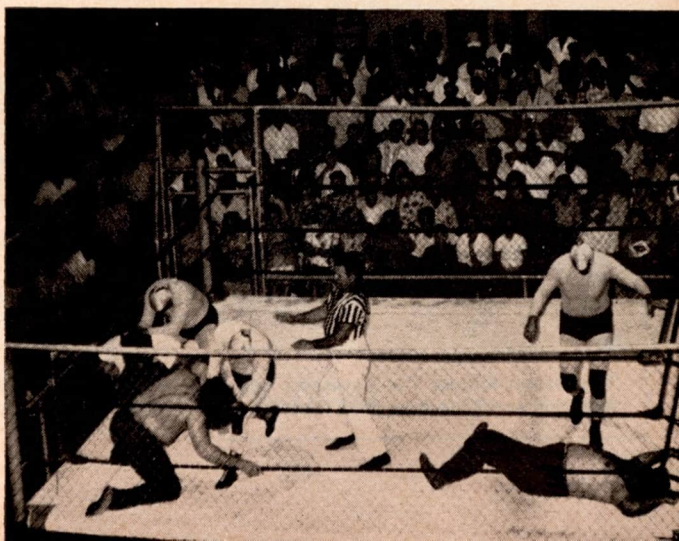
were concerned. The Assassins and the Avenger were, in fact, so confident that they agreed to a Texas death match with Luke, Jake and Haystacks, to be held inside a ten foot high steel cage!

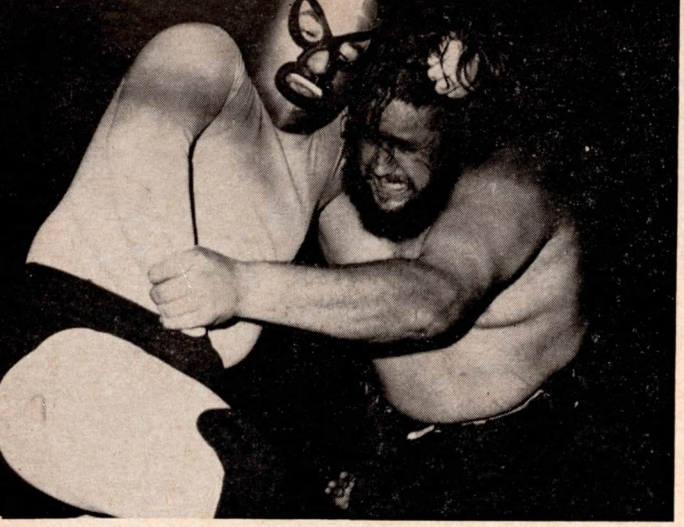
The cage was erected immediately following the semi-final match that evening. It was strong enough to hold a herd of elephants! Only about two feet of floor space remained between the ring apron and cold steel. A man might jump out of the ring, but it was a cinch he wouldn't go very far if he did.

"Wait a minute, gentlemen," the announcer protested as the police guard prepared to lock the one door to the cage, "don't lock that door yet. I've still got to get out of here!" Once the announcer left, of course, the door was duly locked.

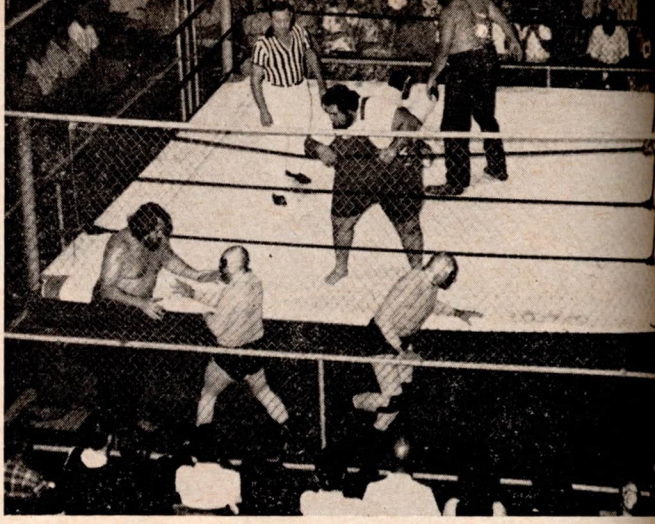
Inside were six wrestlers, a referee and a timekeeper who wished that somebody had thought to install the bell someplace other than onto the ring itself. Outside were five thousand excited fans—all that could be packed into the Tampa armory.

Once inside the cage and faced with 1300 pounds of unsophisticated brute strength, the *(Continued on page 41)*

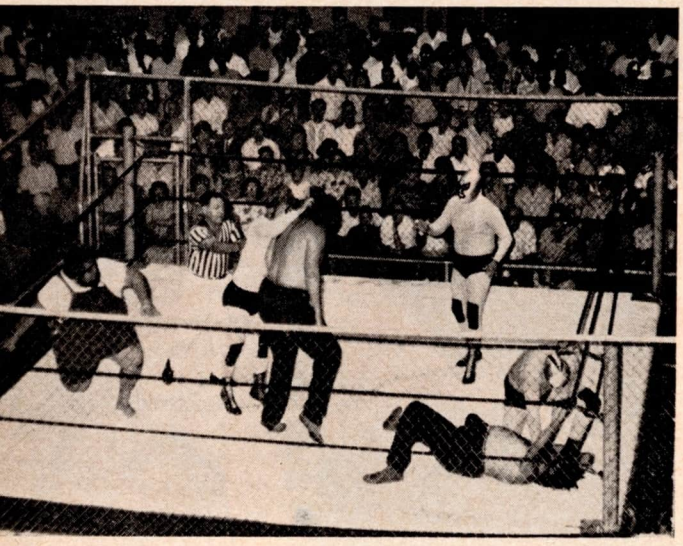




One of the Mayhem Boys is tearing a handful of hair out of Luke Brown's noggin. It is evident that Lucius is not enjoying the experience. He cuts his own hair.

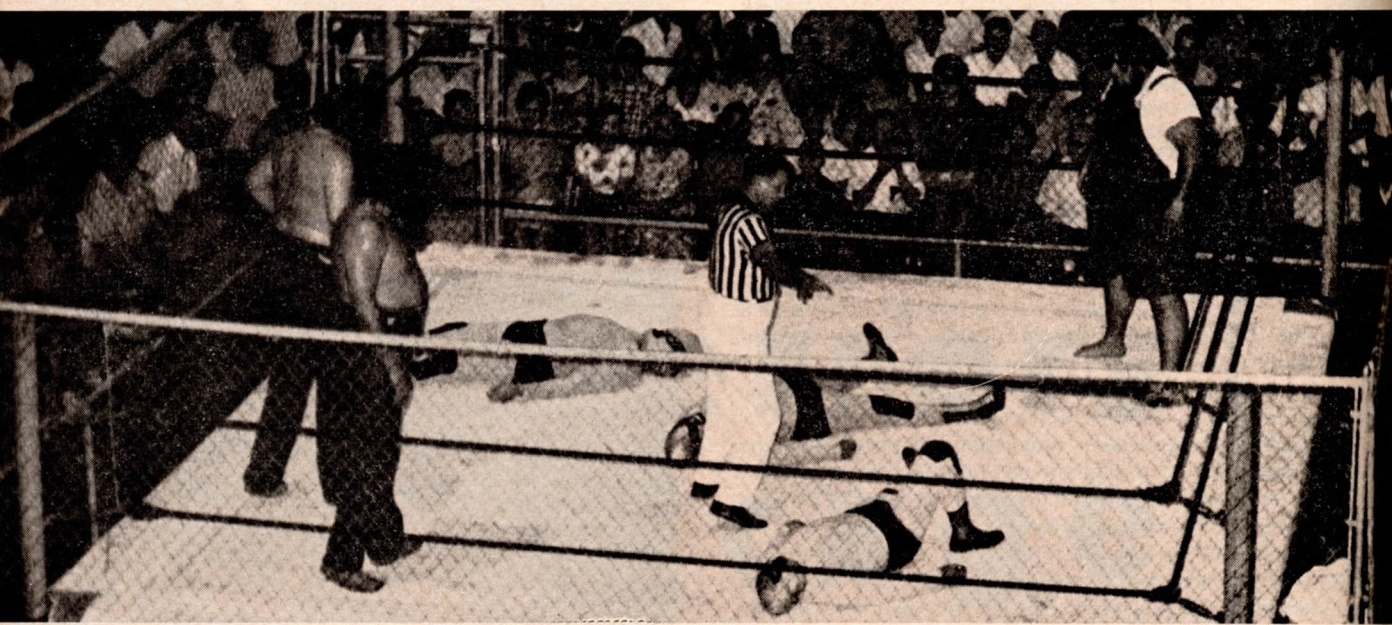


Jumping out of the ring into the confined area behind the cage is doing the Assassins absolutely no good. Why isn't a wrestler disqualified when he leaves the ring under his own steam?



For the moment, two of the Arkansas Boys are in trouble. Only Haystacks is free. But tune in a few minutes later, and you will find that the situation has changed drastically.

Brown is about to tear the mask off one of the Assassins. But this ain't rassling cricket, Luke is told by the referee, who insists that a contestant's incognito is his private property.



The Grand Finale! The Assassins and their Avenger are laid out on the ring deck, while Haystacks & Co. stand in triumph. Veteran wrestling men said that this was one of the most unusual windups in the history of the game.

ON AND AROUND THE MAT WORLD

By NAT LOUBET

Wrestling is one of the sports in which the participants travel more than in any other athletic medium. Letters pour through The Ring from grapplers moving not only around the U.S. but who are constantly on the go from country to country.

Catalina Drake is one of the globe trotters who is now campaigning in the Carolina territory but will be in London, England soon. Incidently, George has been tag teaming it with Ron Reed . . . The Fabulous Moolah has been doing a stint in Hawaii from where she writes that she has been learning how to ride a surfboard. Even promoters move around . . . Roy Shire and Ed Francis are putting on a monthly spectacular in the Honolulu International Center with top stars in action.

The lend lease program works well with Wellington, New Zealand's Ray Gordon arriving for action in Seattle.

Bobby Shane, a hot prospect, has left the Pacific Coast, is now in the mid-West, and will shortly be in Mexico.

We have a letter from Mons. C. Smith, president of the Billy Graham fan club, who would like to have a change of address announced through this corner. C. Smith can be reached at 3343 E. Valencia Ave., Tucson, Arizona.

Dan Lindberg, is an enterprising young man with a love for wrestling. He has come out with a good news letter named, "The Wrestling Hotline" . . . write to Dan at 3217 Green Road, Palo Alto, California, on how you can receive his offering.

Talk about traveling, why even high school teams are making the bit . . . Oklahoma High wrestling team has been busy in Japan where they are touring and will have competed against nine Northern Japanese high school teams during their seventeen day stay in Nippon-land. Over in Sweden, Oregon high has won three out of five matches in that country and will tour Europe, meeting the best high school teams available . . . they wrestle in an unfamiliar style, Greco-Roman.

Down Georgia way Promoter Paul Jones has been giving the fans a diet of top talent in such men as Lou Thesz, Danny Hodge, Ray Gunkel, Jesse James, Nick Kozak, Sam Steamboat, Corsica Joe, among others.

Bob "Big O" Orton has been attempting to make round heads square with his pile driver . . . Northwest tag team champs are Pepper Martin and Roy McClarity . . . the Northwest champ is the Mad Russian, the Seattle crown holder is Roy McClarity and that part of the world recognizes Lou Thesz as the world title holder.

Friend Dean A. Silverstone writes that Tony Borne's Giant Cannonball has him jump from the top strand, some 25 feet in the ozone, to land bottom first on an opponent's middle. This, contends Dean, is the most feared hold in wrestling today. Since we have never had anyone land on our middle from 25 feet up we will not contest that statement . . . Pepper Martin has been claiming that his leap of 15 feet from the top strand is the highest leap in the business. If Tony makes his horrendous effort some 25 feet up it would seem that this would make Martin's leap the second highest. Incidently, Antonino Rocca, among others use the top strand at whatever height it stands.

Who in the wide world in their most vivid imaginative moment would nickname Fred Blassie "Lover Boy". The name was supposedly glopped onto the 235 pound meanie in Louisville, Ky., which is the city Fred calls home.

Smasher Sloan was in The Ring office the other day. Did you know that . . . his father was once the light heavyweight champion of the world which title he won from Leroy McGurk? . . . that he wrestled under the name of Whitey Whittler?

Gorilla Monsoon, strong boy and contender for Bruno Sammartino's WWWF crown despite several defeats at the hands of Bruno, can eat more in one meal than a dozen hungry Marines. One of his favorite burping meals is devouring dozens of hot dogs in blankets (rolls) liberally smeared with condiments and washed down with soda. He'd better keep himself tied down so that he doesn't float away. We are privileged to call Gorilla friend even if he did almost break my hand the last time we exchanged mitts. This is one of his favorite pastimes . . . shaking hands that are never the same thereafter.

"The Whip," Whipper Billy Watson fan club bulletin which is edited by president of the club, Evelyn Davies, is now celebrating its tenth anniversary.

Whipper was raised in the East York section of Toronto and first became interested in wrestling at the age of 15. In 1936, after years of preparation, Whipper went to England via a cattle boat, with Tiger Tasker and Al Korman.

They arrived in England broke and lived in a tent set up in a farmer's field on the outskirts of Northampton. His name was changed by Relwyskow, a promoter, and from then on he was known as Whipper Billy Watson.

By 1939 he had toured England and the Continent and had defeated Mike Denitri in France for the European light heavyweight crown. The same year he was married to Mary Patricia Utting, an English girl and they have had three children, Georgina, Phillip and John.

By 1949 Whipper was established as a top card in Canada and the United States. As early as 1947 he had won his first major title. In February of that year he won the National Wrestling Alliance championship at the Kiel Auditorium in St. Louis, by defeating Wild Bill Longson in an 18 minute match. He has won and lost the title several times since. He claims that the best wrestler he has ever met is Lou Thesz.

The second Bruno Sammartino-Dr. Bill Miller fandango drew 15,064 fans who paid into the coffers $47,744 to witness the festivities. This brings the average for the last 12 Garden shows to 17,000 average attendance and a total paid in of over $600,000 copeks for the dozen evenings. Herr Docter won the match when Bruno couldn't get back into the ring within the ten second time limit and was disqualified, but Bruno still has crown since a champ can't lose his title in New York via a disqualification. Bruno is lucky the fans didn't take his head. Mayhem ran rampant as the fans didn't like the decision.

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ELORDE-NARVAEZ RIOT

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Narvaez, left, misses with a right as Elorde prepares to counter with his own left in one of the best action bouts seen in the Garden in recent years. Elorde, world junior lightweight champion and a southpaw, uses his greater experience to outbox Puerto Rico's Narvaez and gain the verdict from the referee and one judge while the other judge voted for Frankie.

The fight was close. The margin of victory for Elorde lay in experience. His record of 70 wins, 18 losses and 2 draws over 15 years of fighting overshadowed the five year span of his opponent which boasts a 24-3-1 record.

The only damage inflicted was a cut over Elorde's right eye in the fifth round and its match when Narvaez had a cut opened over his right optic in the seventh, when he was caught off balance and wide open to a left hook. Elorde's cut closed but Frankie's blood letting continued for the remainder of the contest.

Except for the fighting inside the ring this bout will be remembered for years to come for the shambles made of anything moveable inside Madison Square Garden in the riot that started five minutes after announcement of the decision.

The riot which began with paper cups and cigar butts ended up with chairs, slats of broken wood, electric light bulbs, the Garden organ, fire axes, light fixtures and a brick that creased the noggin of a fireman who responded to a false alarm sent in by Narvaez partisans.

There have been many tumultuous aftermaths to boxing contests but there have been relatively few in Madison Square Garden, none matching the Elorde-Narvaez outbreak.

The last previous such occurrence took place on May 15, 1936 when Pedro Montanez, Puerto Rican, defeated Italy's Leonard Del Genio. The fans didn't like the way the referee was handling the contest and early in the fight an irate onlooker threw a knife that missed another fan, film celebrity James Cagney. Police quickly got that one under control.

The latest outbreak took more work on the part of the law enforcers before order was restored. One ringsider mouthed what was not the reaction of the majority when he said: "Just like the good old days!"

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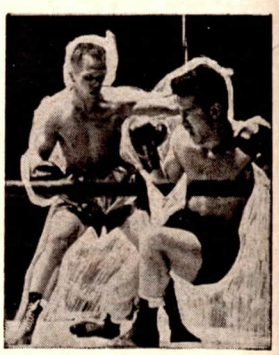

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JIM NORRIS IN A NEW LIGHT

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Harold Johnson and middleweight champion Bobo Olson retaining his laurels against the bid of welter king Kid Gavilan.

Every titleholder contemporaneous with the 1949-59 decade of Norris domination, Jimmy Carter, lightweight champion; Jake Lamotta, middleweight champion; Virgil Akins and Johnny Saxton, welterweight champions; Willie Pep and Sandy Saddler, featherweight champions; besides those already mentioned, were familiar living room images on the TV screen.

Minus any fee, millions of viewers saw all-time great Robinson, besides his explosive title fights, suffers a rare defeat at the hands of Ralph Tiger Jones; batter tough Jake La Motta into submission to win the middleweight crown for the first time; lose it to Gene Fullmer: defeat Rocky Castellani for the right to face Fullmer again; and knock out Rocky Graziano in a Chicago match which attracted 20,000 fans and an uncounted number of home television "guests."

TV audiences of the IBC age missed seeing none of the outstanding men of the time with the price of admission being no more than the ownership of a TV set. They saw Roland LaStarza make it very close and uncomfortable for up-and-coming Rocky Marciano and watched Marciano's iron fists forge a sad ending to Joe Louis' career.

With the Garden, Chicago Stadium, Detroit Olympia, the big city ball parks, Miami and Las Vegas as the main outlets, the IBC paraded along with the champions, such headliners as Frenchmen, Robert Villemain, Laurent Dauthuille, and Charles Humez; Billy Graham, Rex Layne, Ike Williams, Johnny Bratton, Gil Turner, Eduardo Lausse, Paddy Young, Joey Giardello, Hurricane Jackson, Bob Baker, Willie Pastrano, Ralph Dupas, Rory Calhoun, Flash Elorde, Spider Webb, Gaspar Ortega, Ernie Durando and Joey Giambra across the TV channels.

Most of these performed in such outstanding fashion that there were seldom any complaints. In retrospect, the lack of dissatisfaction over the home TV fights of the Fifties is a point in Norris' favor which should not be ignored.

In spite of the general satisfaction over the calibre of fights presented on home TV, whinings over Monopoly persisted finally culminating in the court order.

As to "monopoly" in the boxing business the history of the game is such as to prove that depression and disintegration usually threaten boxing whenever control of things fistic is not centered in one individual or organization as in the cases of Tex Rickard, Mike Jacobs and Norris. Boxing did not enter its "million dollar gate" phase, until Rickard got his stranglehold on the heavyweight championship, with Dempsey as a super attraction.

With Uncle Mike Jacobs' bank roll and promotional sagacity as nourishment, the boxing game flourished for many years during times of low salaries and living standards. Mike had in Joe Louis, a worthy successor to Dempsey, but it was the stability given boxing by one-man domination which brought about its great days.

Likewise during Norris' time there was action aplenty and, unlike the earlier eras of old Tex and Uncle Mike, it was all for free, something hitherto unheard of.

Not all the Norris productions were on home TV but the vast majority of them were and if this didn't constitute a bargain, then what is the definition of the word?

As to monopolies, Harry Markson, canny director of boxing in Madison Sq. Garden, and long time Norris lieutenant, speaks up strongly on the subject.

"A lot of the trouble hinges on the word monopoly itself," said Markson, "The people who complain the loudest about monopoly squawk the loudest when things get fouled up by independent promoters.

"The first thing they yell is (This never happens with the Garden!) Whether we like it or not, what we need in boxing is a strong, reliable organization with plenty of money behind it. If this becomes a monopoly it can be bad, but not if the fighters are sure of their money, and the public gets its money's worth.

Under Norris this was almost always the case just as it was with Mike and Rickard. How can anyone honestly say that in view of what happened since Norris and before Rickard that boxing isn't better off when there's a strongly backed organization in the driver's seat and running consistently."

Markson can hardly be called a disinterested party, but the record is all in favor of his sentiments. The record is casting the Norris Era and the IBC in a more favorable light.

SIX TERRORS IN A CAGE

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masked men didn't seem to be quite so confident. None of these men would be easy to maneuver or take down. There was no man their size against whom their double and triple-teaming would be devestatingly effective. There was not the usual avenue of temporary escape immediately outside the ropes. This just *could* prove to be a problem!

The cage and the no-disqualification rule were indeed instruments of brutality. seemingly best suited to the purposes of the masked men, to whom brutality was a premium asset. However the confinement imposed by the cage favored the men who were bigger, and the Texas death match rules favored the less polished wrestlers. The entire arrangement suited the Kentuckians and Calhoun perfectly.

The Assassins and their partner fought with a fury born of desperation. The gouged eyes and appeared to be using their alleged "hidden object" on their opponents. They inflicted pain, but this only made their adversaries more angry.

As often as not, all six contestants were in the ring at once. With the no-disqualification rule in effect, the referee could order them back out, but he couldn't make it stick. The match got wilder as it progressed.

Falls which did not count toward the outcome of the match were repeatedly won by holds such as Jake Smith's "Kentucky stump-puller," Luke Brown's "mule-choker" and Haystacks' "big splash."

Mercy? There was none in the hearts of their opponents and nothing in the contract which required the behemoths to be soft.

Finally, after about forty-five of the worst minutes the Assassins and the Avenger ever spent, the three masked men were rendered simultaneously unconscious. The referee called a halt, declaring Luke, Jake and Haystacks the winners—as if there could have been any doubt!

"We done got 'em whupped now, let's take a look inside!" shouted big Jake Smith. The fans, some of whom had already started to leave, rushed toward ringside as each of the big men began removing the mask of a helpless adversary. It looked as though there was to be even more good news in store this night—the Assassins and the Avenger were about to be unmasked!

"Hold it, fellas," the referee shouted, "let's have none of that!"

"Aw, come on, Charlie," Jake protested, "we ain't a-going to hurt them none; we just want to make sure they can breathe all right after gettin' the wind knocked out of 'em."

"Breathin's their problem," Charlie replied. "The masks aren't at stake and you guys know it. I realize you want to see what they look like, but you're in for serious trouble if you do!"

Luke, Jake and Haystacks, being the good citizens of the ring they are, did as the referee instructed and reluctantly relinquished their opportunity. It would have been great to have taken the masks off, but it wasn't worth getting suspended.

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Richardson Aims For Title

Nova Scotia, which hasn't had a British Empire championship fight in a long time, will have one on September 25, when Gomeo Brennan will defend his middleweight crown against Blair Richardson, Canadian title holder in the Glace Bay Forum, outside Sydney. Richardson, who is 24 years old, is a college student who made good in boxing. He is going into his senior year at Emerson College in Boston, Mass., there he is majoring in sociology.

Blair has a disc jockey show on station WBOS in Boston each Sunday morning. He combines good music with religion. The show is taped and carried throughout the Maritime Provinces and Canada and has a large listening audience.

Blair started his boxing career under Johnny Buckley, the man who handled Jack Sharkey as a heavyweight champion and many other top pugilists. Now his son handles the affairs of Richardson.

Richardson has had 48 fights, lost four, has knocked out 36 opponents and hopes to annex the British Empire middleweight crown. He won the Canadian title by knocking out Wilfie Greaves who shortly after his defeat, lost a split decision to world champion Joey Giardello.

Gus MacLellan, veteran promoter, will stage the Brennan-Richardson contest. Blair makes his home with Rev. John De Bune, Pastor of the Ruggles St. Baptist Church in Boston.

Blair Richardson, Canadian middleweight titleholder, gets some advice from manager Johnny Buckley Jr. Richardson, who also is a disc jockey, gets his chance to win the British Empire crown from Gomeo Brennan in the Glace Bay Forum on September 25. Buckley's father guided Jack Sharkey to the heavyweight championship and started Blair on his ring career before John Jr. took over.

CANADIAN MARITIMES
By Fred Bishop

Halifax, N. S.—Blair Richardson, 159½, Sydney, N. S. fighting his first bout since last October, and his first in this town since July, 1963, brought out 4000 fans who paid $10,000 to watch him put away Don Chisholm, 158, Pictou, N.S. in three rounds in defense of his Canadian Middleweight title. Chisholm was never in the fight after a tame opening round.

In the second, Blair smashed a short right to the jaw after he had set Chisholm up with two straight lefts, and the contender went down for a five count. After just 39 seconds of the third round, Richardson caught Chisholm on the way in with a crushing right to the jaw and referee Jack Delaney could have counted to twenty. The fight was scheduled for 12 rounds. For Richardson it was his 47th fight, 41 wins, 4 losses, 2 draws and 32 kayo's.

In a 10 rounder, Dave Hilton, 133, Edmundston, N.B., Canadian Featherweight Champion, had too much class and punching power for young Jackie Carter, 130, Dartmouth, and stopped the wild-swinging gamecock in two bloody rounds.

Hilton dropped Carter three times for long counts before Referee Jackie Hayden called it off at the 2:06 mark of the second, with Carter out on his feet still trying to fight back.

In fours: Ray Fagan, 142, Amherst, N.S., with only one win in ten tries, pulled off a big upset when he held highly regarded Percy Jarvis, 147, Yarmouth, N.S., to a wild draw in the best fight of the night.

Garfield O'Dell, 154, Halifax, making his pro debut, impressed with a third round kayo over Churchill Desmond, 158, New Glasgow.

▸ **Stellarton, N.S.**—Another fine amateur card packed the rink as Drouin Club of Moncton, N.B. visited to do battle with the Archie Moore Club of nearby Trenton. The Trenton boys won three and drew two bouts. In the main event of five rounds, Jerry Drouin, 130, lost a split decision to Eddie Phalen, 130, in an action packed go.

In another fiver, Lawrence Hafey, 140, was a T.K.O. winner in two over Dick Drouin, 143, Hafey came off the floor in the first after an eight count to win.

Len "Cowboy" Hughes continues to keep wrestling alive here in the Maritimes. He had another full house to watch Lou Thesz retain his title against Dick "Bulldog" Brower. Others appearing on the card included, Rudy Kaye, Yvon Durelle, Mickey Sharpe, Ken Ackles, Al Zinck, the Daltons Brothers and Zarnoff.

The fine card ended in a fatality when Mickey Sharpe and his manager were both killed in a head on crash between the mining town of Springhill and Amherst, N.S.

QUEBEC AND VICINITY
By Roger Larivee

Montreal.—Leslie Borden vs Burke Emery for the 175 lb. Canadian Title. Borden wins 12 round decision.

Montreal—In a rough, tough, crowd-pleasing battle, Leslie Borden finally realized his dream by winning the 175 pound title from a battle-scarred and weary ex-champ, Burke Emery, in a 12 round decision. Not given much chance by the local fight faithful, Borden surprised in coming on strong in the last 2 rounds to catch the judges' eye.

A few more shows such as this one, could give local boxing the boost it so badly needs.

In the semi-final, Arnold Sparks formerly of Winnipeg, and now living in Montreal, sprang a big upset when he won a 10 rounder from Marcel Bizien of Jersey City. Bizien, hereto invincible locally, had scored 5 straight K.O.'s in as many appearances, tired badly after almost taking Sparks out in the first round with a terrific left hook.

Sparks managed to hang on and had to call on all his experience to weather the round, after which he boxed craftily on to pile up a decisive win.

The show also marked the pro-debut of giant behemoth "Buster Mathis" the former national A A.U. heavyweight champ, who scored an impressive second round K.O. of Bob Maynard, a 252 pounds local product. Mathis looked impressive.

In a battle that had the crowd roaring from the bell, Leonardo Ianni scored his 4th straight K.O. in the 4th round, when he flattened the rugged Etienne Sarrazin, after decking him for a count in the second.

In an 8 rounder, Larry Renaud, local counter punching light-heavy, won a split decision over Cleo Daniels.

▸ **Quebec City.** Hard luck Fernand Simard, clever Quebec City Junior welter, finally got lucky, winning a split 12 rounder from Les Sprague of Amherst, N.S. and the Canadian title at the weight along with it. Both boys boxed at a fast pace all the way and a return would be a natural.

Dave Hilton had his work cut out for him in winning a 12 round unanimous decision over awkward Rocco Jones of Halifax, N.S. Hilton had difficulty solving Jones style in the early rounds, but caught up with him, and from the 5th onward punished him unmercifully, but couldn't put over a clinching punch. This bout signalled the end of Hiltons 11 staright K.O. wins.

In the two 6 rounder prelim bouts, 2 former Golden Glove champs scored one round K.O.'s over their respective and unknown opponents. Beaupre looked like a mighty fine prospect in stopping Ray Diaz of Montreal, and looks to be a boy who may turn out to be a real find.

In the other prelim, Rockey Boulay, rugged 125 lber., and #2 challenger for the Canadian Title, also scored a surprise 1 round K.O. over Pierre Hogue of Montreal.

▸ Boxing in Canada showed signs of an upswing in the month of June, what with shows in Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, St. Johns, and Sydney, N.S. showing the way.

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THREE REFEREES DISPUTE

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the floor. The knockdown time-keeper keeps counting, the referee has neither forced Clay into a neutral corner nor picked up the count.

"Liston cuts loose with a right and Clay hits the deck, all out.

"Well, it strikes me that everything in the round would have to be ruled illegal. No commission would have declared Clay knocked out and Liston once again the champion."

Mercante sat there, still shaking his head. "Where and how do you men think up these things? The life of a referee is tough enough without conjuring up 'ifs' which simply could not happen."

The questioner said, "Arthur, you know it might have happened, and you are congratulating yourself that somebody else was involved."

"You are wrong," Arthur chuckled. "It could not have happened to me.

"However,"—here Mercante caught the "suppose" fever. "If Liston had got up fighting and had dropped Clay for ten, you would have a third fight setup. Can you imagine what the situation would have been? A double knockout and neither legal. A promoters' paradise, and not a soul in a position to holler 'phoney'."

Like Felix and Mercante, Goldstein opened with the emphatic announcement, "It could not happen to me. Never."

"Walcott is an earnest worker, an honest official as he was an honest fighter, but he should not have been picked to referee the Lewiston fight," Ruby said. "Jersey Joe had not had sufficient experience. He had not been working in the ring often enough.

"The experienced referee does some scouting before the fight. He makes sure he knows the time-keeper and the knockdown timekeeper and knows where they are seated.

"He makes sure that the knockdown time-keeper has a mike in front of him.

"The experienced referee sits at the ringside before the fight and makes up his mind as to how he would handle certain possibilities.

"In New York what happened to Walcott could have occurred. I watched the film of the fight in Lewiston and got the impression that with Liston on the floor Jersey Joe was looking around for the knockdown timekeeper, who was located obscurely, minus a mike, unable even to rise in his cramped position.

"The big sin, of course, was Walcott's failure to get Clay into a neutral corner," Goldstein continued. "I cannot imagine why Jersey Joe found this requisite beyond his ability.

"Clay insisted on ignoring Walcott, and Joe let him get away with it. You holler, 'Get into that corner or you lose the fight.' Believe me, he gets. I handled Willie Pep and Sandy Saddler. I could handle Clay. It's easy. You grab him by the arm, get him on his way, and pick up the count at four or five.

"Now then, about Liston picking himself up and belting Clay while the long count is going on.

"Walcott never would have allowed that. When a decked fighter resumes, the referee is supposed to clean his gloves of the floor rosin. Walcott would have known enough for that, even if he had not intercepted Liston's rally."

The questioner said, "The fact remains that Liston did pick himself up, that Walcott did not clean his gloves, and that Sonny did continue swinging. Suppose on resumption, he had belted Clay out?"

"I canot consider any such possibility because it could not have happened," Goldstein persisted.

There the interrogation of Ruby Goldstein had to be stopped. He simply could not see Liston coming up swinging.

The conclusions reached from interviewing three of the best referees in the country are:—

1—It could not have happened.

2—If it had happened who would have accepted Liston?

3—Since Liston had done no compelling swinging before he hit the deck, the three referees could not envision his swinging with deadly effect on arising.

4—There never was any fight at Lewiston, Me. on the night of May 25, 1965.

And so, as the sun sets on beautiful Bali, we see Mercante returning to his regular job as public relations man for Rheingold beer, Goldstein busy at a similar job with Schenley Distillers, and Felix engrossed in his bistro in Miami Beach.

NOTHING LIKE THIS EVER!

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and I will not discuss them."

The "other angles" may have to do with Clays Black Muslim connections, his disappointing take from the Lewiston Mess and Muslim gammering.

There is a rumor that, after having talked of a $5,000,000 fight, Clay has cashed in to the dismal tune of $100,000, with a like split for the Louisville syndicate. That deal has a year to go from October.

The closed circuit TV take out of Lewiston is reported to have been around $1,650,000. Fred Brooks has refused to reveal the actual figures, even to the House committee which held hearings in Washington in July. He said "The receipts were well, well, well over a million." The three "wells" are reported to total $650,000.

The Muslims are said to believe that Clay has been a victim of bad book-keeping. This charge is without support, in so far as can be determined from the indeterminate figures.

The next subject of talk with Markson was Torres. Contrary to his challenges after his victory over Willie Pastrano, Jose has shown little inclination to defend his light heavyweight title.

It is reported that Torres' mediocre showing against Tom McNeeley in Puerto Rico recently discouraged his further association with heavyweights. Tom had 22 pounds on Jose and Torres could not cope with that handicap against a man whom he expected to stop inside three rounds.

This may induce Torres to take on Wayne Thornton, whom Markson has proposed to him for a title fight, and stop worrying about Eddie Machen and Gregorio Peralta.

The Giardello-Tiger match got the necessary spur recently when the New York Commission finally changed its attitude toward Joey and gave him a license to fight in New York State—which means the Garden.

RING SEARCH PRODUCES FOUR MORE HOPEFULS

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a fighter. He served in the U.S. Marine Corp for 3 years and held the rank of Corporal. Chuck is managed by Ralph Palmisno and Joe Baressi.

Heilman started boxing while in the Armed Forces in 1957. He took part in 35 amateur and service bouts in which he won 29 and lost six. While stationed in Hawaii, he won the Hawaiian Golden Gloves Middleweight title in 1958 and 1959. He also won the All Army title while stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia. Andy went pro in 1962. He has won 15 and lost one, with two draws.

Andy is married and resides in San Pedro, Cal. He is managed by Freddie Merino.

Hernandez, Puerto Rican welterweight, managed by Bobby Kirk, punctuated his amateur career winning the 1964 Golden Gloves Sub-Novice title. That year he also won the Ray Robinson Trophy, which is awarded to the outstanding fighter of the tournament.

Carmelo won his first seven pro fights before he suffered defeat at the hands of Pete Toro. The referee stopped the fight due to Carmelo's badly cut eye.

He lives with his mother, step-father and three brothers.

Carmelo's biggest ambition is to earn enough money in boxing to buy a home for his parents.

BILLY CONN

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than he was to be hurt by anybody until he ran into Joe Louis.

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ROCKY GATTELLARI

The crack Australian flyweight decisioned Raton Mojica in a fast moving 12-rounder at Melbourne. Their spirited encounter, after four postponements, may lead to a rematch. Mojica took the first half of the bout but Gattellari rallied tin the last half.

FROM MICHIGAN
By Pop Andy Brown

Yours truly acted as goodwill ambassador at a boxing match staged at the Windsor Stadium, in connection with the International Freedom Festival.

The program was sponsored by the Ontario and Michigan associations of the A.A.U. Hedgeman Lewis, national A.A.U. welterweight champion, scored a one round K.O. over Joe Romero of the Kronk Recreation, in one minute. That featured the show. Other bouts followed:

126 pounds: John Cromer, King Solomon, decisioned Richard Alexander, Lasky Recreation; 147 pounds: Lamont Chambliss, Brewster, dec. Donald Elliott, Windsor; 160 pounds: Leonard Hutchins, King Solomon, dec. Richard Jeter, Brewster; 160 pounds: James Bey, Brewster, dec. Harold Wilson, Martens Recreation; heavyweight: David Talbot, Windsor, def. Robert Strong, Parkside, TKO, third round.

Buster Mathis, the 300 pound Grand Rapids, Mich., boxer pounded out a two round K.O. over Bob Maynard of Montreal, 250 pounds.

Mathis was making his professional debut in Montreal. Al Bachman of New York is managing the big fellow.

Nineteen year old Larry Charleston, who won the national Golden Gloves light heavyweight title in Kansas City, is training for his professional debut under the watchful eyes of Paul Ambers, 1933 Golden Gloves Heavyweight Champion.

Willie Williams, Detroit, light heavyweight, is looking for work with any fighters up to 185 pounds. Willie can be contacted through this writer.

PUERTO RICO WINS AMATEUR TOURNEY
By Mario Rivera Martinez

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico—Puerto Rico breezed through its first international amateur boxing tournament when it scored a grand total of 21 points against Venezuela's 13. Third in the standings was the U.S.A. with 5 points. Jamaica failed to score.

The big upset in the finals was the unanimous verdict scored by Josue Marquez, of Puerto Rico, over the more experienced Georgie Colon, to win the bantamweight title.

Another fine prospect, Luie Estaba, of Venezuela, won the flyweight title when he scored a TKO in 1:04 of the first round over Raul Correa. Referee Colon-Garcia called it a night for Raul due to a cut over the left eye.

Featherweight honors went to Casto Ramirez, U.S.A., by virtue of a unanimous, but close, decision over the Venezuelan Luis Marcano.

Venezuela scored its second victory when Luis Vallejos annexed the lightweight title by virtue of one sided triumph over the inexperienced Oscar Torres, of Puerto Rico.

A steady two-fisted barrage by Miguel Barreto gave Puerto Rico it's second victory, scored against Windel Spencer of Jamaica.

Puerto Rico's third and decisive triumph came in the final bout, when Pedro Agosto once again came through with an upset victory in winning a unanimous decision in a hard fought bout with Arthur Trought, for the middleweight title.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA
By Ray Mitchell

Melbourne, Australia—Boxing fans here liked what they saw of Raton Mojica, the flyweight from Nicaragua, when, after four postponements, he got a chance to fight Rocky Gattellari, Australia's outstanding boxer. A rematch is likely.

Gattellari got the decision. But Mojica put up a terrific battle, an amazing one when it is realized that he hung around for months, waiting for Rocky to mend from injuries.

Mojica fought Gattellari almost on even terms. The Nicaraguan had the first half of the battle but Rocky rallied and took the lead in the later rounds. They went twelve.

Australian light-heavyweight champion Clive Stewart was lucky to hold his title in the Newcastle Stadium when his opponent, Bob Dunlop was disqualified in the 14th round for using a back-hander. Dunlop had received three warnings for a similar breach in earlier rounds. The challenger is only 19. He was so keen on showing out well, that sometimes when he missed he brought his band back illegally.

It was an exciting fight, with one knockdown. Dunlop was down for eight in the eighth round. But the youthful Victorian was well ahead on points at the time of the disqualification.

Dunlop held height, weight and reach advantages over Stewart and will grow into a fully-fledged heavyweight.

▸ At the Brisbane Festival Hall, Graham Dicker, 149¾, won the Queensland State middleweight title by knocking out the defending champion Paul Baker, 158, in the fourth round. Dicker was in charge from midway through the second round when he dropped Baker with a left hook. Baker regained his feet immediately and there was no count. Soon after Baker was down for nine from a hook.

In the third round another left hook dumped him again. In the fourth a left hook dropped him for the full count.

▸ Australian junior-middleweight champion Tony Barber received a shock in the first round of his fight with George Takach in the Sydney Stadium. A perfect right from Takach decked Barber, and the champion fought on instinct for several seconds afterwards. Barber took another count in the next round but gradually his tenacious body punching took effect and in the sixth round he dropped Takach, who reeled to his feet, but was in such a daze that referee Vic Patrick stopped the fight and crowned Barber.

▸ A fortnight later at Sydney Stadium, American bantamweight Ray Perez and Australian bantamweight champion Noel Kunde, staged a two-man war, with Perez winning by a good margin. The crowd yelled itself hoarse from the eighth round to the end of the 12 rounder. When the final bell sounded a shower of coins was thrown into the ring. This was the first main-event bout to receive a shower at Sydney Stadium since May 5, 1958, when George Flemming received a points verdict over Sammy Bonnici.

▸ Australian welterweight champion Carmen Rotolo seemed unlucky in having to share the verdict with Filipino Ador Plaza at the Melbourne Festival Hall.

▸ One week later, at the same venue, rising Australian bantamweight-cum-feather, Lionel Rose had an easy points win over Thai Sintong Por Tor. It was Rose's first main-event at a big stadium.

▸ At the Brisbane Festival Hall, Por Tor's gymmate, Sing Sam Tepyotin, showed he is a good fighter in outpointing Queensland State featherweight champion, tough southpaw Arthur Clark.

▸ What's in a name? Tepyotin fought Australian lightweight champion Gilberto Biondi at the Melbourne Festival Hall, and after the fight was advertised, Tepyotin announced that he was of Chinese origin not Thai, and wanted to fight under his correct name, Gue Sae Chin. Permission was granted.

Chin beat Biondi on a cut eye. The fight was stopped in the seventh round.

▸ At the Brisbane Festival Hall, former amateur champion Jimmy Edwards showed good form in knocking out previously undefeated Harry Callaghan in the third round. Callaghan won the first round, Edwards the second. In the third Callaghan decked Edwards but seconds later Edwards dropped Callaghan with a series of rights to the jaw, and referee Les Parker counted all the way. The fighters are welterweights.

▸ At the St. George Leagues Club, Kogarah (Sydney suburb), Trevor Christian gained an easy points win over Bobby Liddle in a 12-round junior middleweight contest

FOR THE BEST IN BOXING NEWS READ THE RING

Packey O'Gatty's Chit-Chat . . .

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Jack Dempsey's 70th birthday party was a gala Friday afternoon affair, staged in his world famous Broadway restaurant, which was packed. With Jack, were his charming wife, the former Deanne Pietelli and his lovely daughter Joanne (her mom is the former Broadway actress, Hannah "Cheerful Little Earful" Williams). Joanne came on with her husband Dennis O'Flagherty from Van Nuys, California.

Dempsey, dressed in a seersucker jacket was interviewed by Frank Gifford, over CBS' TV Sports and Al Buck was in charge of the press.

Among the many present were: Jack Amiel (Jack's partner); Dan Daniel, Mickey Walker, Max Kase, Tommy Loughran, Sam Taub, Gen. Melvin L. Krulewitch, Murray Robinson, Willard Mullin, Lester Bromberg, Ned Brown, Emile Griffith, Dick Young, Bill Gallo, Harry Markson, Teddy Brenner, John F. X. Condon, Ruby Goldstein, Willie Pep, Toots Shor, "Bowtie Jimmy" Bronson, K. O. Phil Kaplan, Hymie Wollman, ex-detective Joe "Happy" Maloney, "Polo-Grounds Pete" Shapiro and Horace McMahon.

60 members of the Anglo-American Sporting Club, flew in from London, England, headed by Mickey Duff. They threw a birthday luncheon party in Dempsey's place. They also presented the "Manassa Mauler" with gold cuff links, and a large birthday cake . . . Telegrams, cards, etc. poured in from all over the country . . . The Rotary Club of Hackettstown, N. J.'s Sheriff Ken Gayford of Warren County, also Under Sheriff George I. Glass and F. Beatty were also on hand.

Later in the evening Jack slipped into his dinner jacket and attended a surprise party, hosted by Gene Tunney. Later on, he went to the east side where he was decoyed to Bill Turner's penthouse by his old friend Dr. David Bloom, and was greeted by Ed Sullivan and John Roosevelt. . . . From our friend Ed Sullivan's column in the DAILY NEWS (quote):

"Dempsey was very touched to learn from President Roosevelt's son that FDR often talked about him. 'From his years propelling his wheelchair, Dad had built up tremendous chest and arm muscles,' John Roosevelt told Jack, 'And when he'd read something about you in the sporting pages, Jack, he'd say: "If Jack Dempsey had my upper body and Jack's legs, he'd still be champion at 70."' . . . Then Roosevelt went on and read President Lyndon B. Johnson's wire wishing Dempsey a Happy Birthday!

Next was a visit to the house of Ambassador Stanton Griffis, who during Joe Louis' reign as world champion, was a stockholder in Madison Square Garden. Jack had the pleasure of visiting Pat De Cicco and Gloria Vanderbilt, newly married. The house was leased to them. I noticed the study was decorated with many large life size shots of Louis' fights. The Ambassador is in Monte Carlo, visiting Prince Rainier and Princess Grace of Monaco (the former Grace Kelly of Phila.) . . . Remember Jack Hurley, "The Professor", who managed Billy "Fargo Express" Petrolle, Harry Kid Mathews and others, and promoted the Floyd Patterson-Pete Rademacher, world heavyweight title bout in 1957, which broke all gate records for the West coast? Hurley, has taken under his wing Boone Kirkman, the National A.A.U. titlist . . . Wayne Thornton, Fresno's belting light-heavyweight, at Billy Mahoney's home in the City of Wines, signing about 35 pictures, which Mahoney will send to the many fans who have requested them. Wayne has turned down a shot in Lima, Peru, to fight Mauro Mina there. Thornton, wants a shot at champ Jose Torres . . . Madison Square Garden's matchmaker Teddy Brenner, while on a trip to Honolulu, took on the four-wall paddle ball champ of Hawaii, Ralph Yembuko, and beat him three in a row, 21-14, 21-9, 21-9.

Frankie Neil, (second from right) 82-year-old former bantamweight titleholder, was the guest of honor at the 10th annual dinner reunion of old timers at Floyd "Red" Taylor's Santa Clara, Calif., home. He's shown holding the WBHA Hall of Fame Award presented to him. Others, from left, are Al Emmick, Young Corbett III, host Taylor and Guy Turpin.

NIG NORMART, the first Armenian pug to gain fame during the 20-40 round days of California, is very sick, at his home in Fresno. Nig will be 82 in January . . . He was disappointed that he was unable to be at the Fresno VBA party which Billy Mahoney staged in Frank Sarris' Restaurant, where the local boys, Sammy Brown, Gene Cline, Tiger Johnny Cline and Trench King, were elected to the Fresno Boxing Hall of Fame. Among those present were—Jimmy McLarnin, Young Corbett III, Billy Conn and Jackie Fields, Fred Apostoli, Ceferino Garcia, Andy DiVodi and Al Manfredo. Conn and Fields flew in from Las Vegas.

Jack DeMave, the original "Golden Boy" of the ring, ex-heavyweight boxer from Jersey City, standing in front of the Majestic Theatre, in New York, where De Mave was looking at a life size blown up picture of Sammy Davis Jr., in boxing pose. The latter stars in "Golden Boy," a musical-comedy. Patrons going into the theatre, were unaware that the poor bloke standing at the window, with glasses, and poorly dressed, was the original Golden Boy . . . Lee Ramage, who fought Joe Louis etc., is a real estate broker in San Diego, California . . . When Ex-champ Sonny Liston did some boxing scenes in the "Harlow" picture, Mushy Callahan was the technician referee.

BILL STERN, did a masterful emcee piece of work at the 7th Anniversary Cape Coral Dinner Reception, in Westchester Town House, at Yonkers, N.Y., for the Gulf Land Corporation . . . Bill Schroeder, managing director of Helms Athletic Foundation, at Helms Hall in Los Angeles, is back from a European vacation . . . Marty Servo, ex-world welterweight champ, is broke and seriously ill at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. Contributions may be sent to the Marty Servo Fund, Mt. Carmel Credit Union, P.O. Box 390, E. Abrienda Ave., Pueblo, Colorado.

Ex-world bantamweight champ, 1903-

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST BOXING NEWS
By Ruggles Larson

PRINCE GEORGE, BRITISH COLUMBIA.—Harold Mann, 174½, Prince George, B.C., scored a unanimous ten round decision over Eddie Hawkins, 173, San Jose, Calif. Mann relied on his superb boxing ability and crisp right hand to convince the judges.

In another ten rounder, Jimmy Walters, 167½, Prince George, B.C., scored a decision win over Frank Nibblett, 168, San Jose, Calif. The victory marked Walters' second win since coming out of retirement.

Four rounders: Jimmy McGowen, 147, Vancouver, B.C., won a unanimous decision over Alvin Clay, 146, San Jose, Calif. McGowan was runner up in the 1963 National A.A.U tourney and represented Canada in the 1964 Olympics.

Art Adams, 164, Seattle, Wash., kept his undefeated record going by kayoing "Bobo" Fiddler of Vancouver, B.C., in the first round.

The card was promoted by the Prince George Boxing Club and drew an estimated attendance of 900.

▸ **BOISE, IDAHO**—Rugged George Logan scored his twenty fifth professional victory by T.K.O.ing John Davey of Los Angeles at eighteen seconds of the third round.

Logan, in facing the boxer who had held him to a draw eight weeks earlier, scored with chopping right hands which finally forced referee Jim Nalley to halt the affair due to a serious eye laceration on Davey. John scored with a long left hand during the first and second, but the Boise policemen kept boring in to land his right hand.

Davey weighed 190, and Logan's, 203. The results gave George a 25-7-2 record and Davey a 7-5-2.

Semi-final: "Big John" Bateman, 220, Boise, Ida., T K.O.'ed Terry Beeler, 195, Missoula, Mont., in the second round. Bateman decked Beeler for an eight count in the first round with a right hand.

Six rounders—Ray Barrituia, 138½, Boise, Ida., scored a unanimous decision over Manuel Garcia, 137, Carson City, Nevada. Garcia survived a first round knockdown and rallied in the final two rounds to win the approval of the 751 fans in attendance.

Rodney George, 147, Battle Mountain, Nev., won a six round split decision over Gary Holliday, 154, Lewiston, Ida. George scored a third round knockdown, but Holliday came storming back.

Lonnie Tolano, Carson City, Nev., 157, won a unanimous decision over Tommy Gross, 156, Missoula, Montana.

The card was promoted by Al Berro.

▸ **LAS VEGAS**—Denny Moyer, 155½, Portland, Ore., former World's Lightmiddleweight Champ, decisioned Fred Hernandez, 158, Las Vegas, over ten rounds.

▸ **LOS ANGELES**—Richie Sue, 128½, Portland, Ore., had little trouble in kayoing Manuel Ochoa, 129, Guadalajara, Mex., in the first round of an Olympic Auditorium main event.

▸ **LOS ANGELES**—Amos Lincoln, 208, Portland, Ore., kayoed Roberto Davila, 195, Peru, in the seventh round.

▸ **RENO**—Bobo Olson, 174, formerly of Portland, Ore., but now fighting out of San Francisco, outpointed Andy Kendall, 172, in ten rounds. Kendall fights out of Scappoose, Ore., a little town located eight miles from Portland.

▸ **SEATTLE, WASHINGTON**—Boone Kirkman, the 1965 National A.A.U. Heavyweight Champ, is now training under Jack Hurley. Hurley believes that Kirkman has al lthe makings of a Champion.

▸ **TACOMA, WASHINGTON**—Jess Hall, former pro heavy who met some of the good boys in the 1950's, is working as a longshoreman out of the Tacoma docks.

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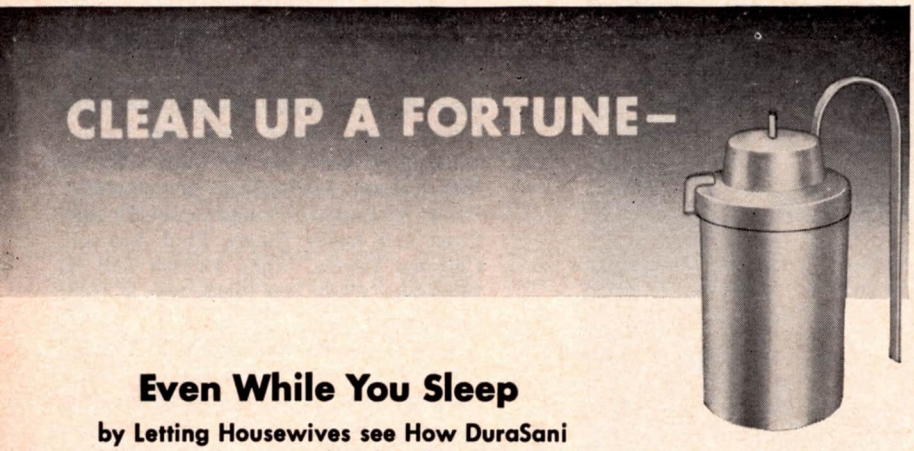

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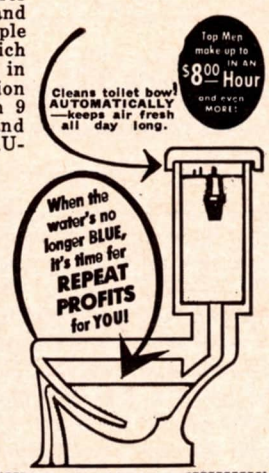

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BOXING IN ARGENTINA
By Simon Bronnenberg and Alfredo Porzio

CONCEPTION: In the welterweight, Ramón Acosta kayoed Mario Rios in the second round Lightweight Juan J. Juarez whipped Eiroy Duran, in eight.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES:** At the Luna Park ring, ex-Argentine feather champion Aldo Gamboa, decisioned Ricardo Moreno, ex-Argentine bantam champion, in 10 rounds.

Good middleweight prospect, Carlos Salinas outpointed Marcos Bustos in 10.

▸ **TUCUMAN:** In the light division, Cirilo Pausa and Carlos Gutierrez drew in 10.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES:** In Luna Park Stadium, in the welter class, Lalo Gomez and Hector "Cacho" Córdoba, drew in a hard bout of 10 rounds. In the light class, Tony Gonzalez was defeated by Alberto Arca in 10. Gonzalez had been undefeated prior to this bout.

▸ **ROSARIO:** In the light class, Carlos Cappella outpointed undefeated Zenon Mansilla by points in 10.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES:** At Luna Park ring, in his first professional bout in Buenos Aires, heavyweight Oscar "Ringo" Bonavena, won by a T.K.O. in 4 over Rodolfo Diaz. The receipts were 4 million 113,370 pesos.

In the semi-final bout, middleweight Osvaldo Marino, whipped Miguel Carranza in eight rounds.

▸ **MONTEVIDEO: (Uruguay)** — Argentine light champion Abel Laudonio won by a T.K.O. over Eulogio Caballero in 10 rounds. Caballero is Uruguay light champion.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES:** In the Luna Park ring in the fly division, Enriqu Barroso won easily over Juan A. Pereyra on points in 10.

▸ **BAHIA BLANCA:** Argentine and South American flyweight champion Horacio Accavallo, outpointed Juan C. Moreyra in 10 in a non-title bout.

▸ **CORDOBA:** Undefeated bantamweight Luis Romo, beat Franklin Caamaño by T.K.O. in the 5th round.

▸ **TANDIL:** Undefeated middleweight Celedonio Lima whipped Ramón Rocha in 10. And undefeated lightweight Pascual Garcia, knocked out Edelmiro Farias in the 5th round.

▸ **TUCUMAN:** In the light class, Horacio Saldaño won over Raul Villalba by K.O. in 5th.

▸ **TRELEW:** In the light division, Adan Gomez won over Valentin Brown on points in 10.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES:** In the Luna Park ring, Carlos Cañete, the feather champ, won over Godfrey Stevens, from Chile, on points in 12 rounds, in a title bout.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES:** In the light class, Gualberto Gutierrez, from Uruguay, whipped Ubaldino Escobar on points in 10.

▸ **BAHIA BLANCA:** Humberto Barbatto won over Eduardo Pediconi, the local lightweight champ in 10 rounds.

▸ **CORDOBA:** In the light division Tristan Falfan won over Raul Santos Villalba by disqualification in the 8th round.

▸ **CORONEL DORREGO:** Roberto Palavecino won over Alberto Barria on points in 10. They are lightweights.

▸ **ROSARIO:** Veteran Adres Selpa, middleweight, won over Rogelio Gregorutti by a K.O.T. in the 5th round.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES:** Lightweight Carlos Gutierrez, whipped Hugo Rambaldi in 10 rounds.

▸ **MAR DEL PLATA:** Argentine and South American heavy champion Gregorio Peralta, outpointed Miguel A. Paez in 10 rounds, in a return bout.

▸ **BUENOS AIRES:** In the Luna Park ring, middleweight Carlos Monzóm won over Alberto Retondo by a K.O.T. in eight rounds.

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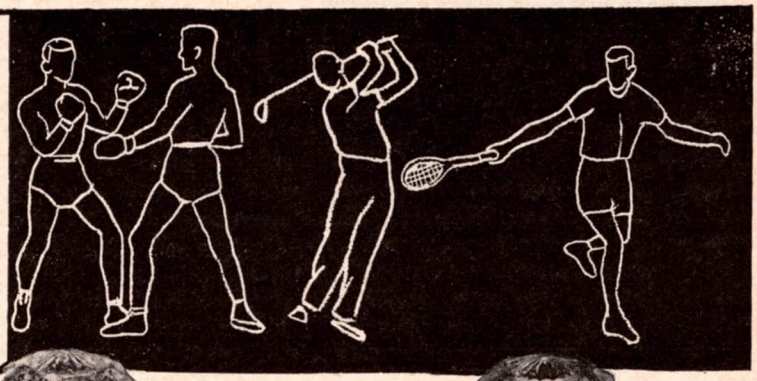

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FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

Flash Elorde, world junior lightweight champion, successfully defended his crown by knocking out Teru Kosaka, 127½, and lightweight champion of Japan in the 15th round of their championship bout at the Araneta Coliseum. Kosaka started the fireworks fast. He was aggressive but slowed up as the bout progressed.

The Japanese went to the floor following a left to the chin in the 3rd round, and received the mandatory 8 count. In the 6th, Kosaka's left eye was cut, his mouth began to bleed.

In the 8th, Elorde's right eye was almost closed, but he almost sent Kosaka to the floor when the bell came to his rescue.

The Filipino was in complete command of the battle and in the 13th, he sent Kosaka to the floor for another 8 count.

In the 15th, Kosaka's face was swollen, his eyes were almost closed, and Kosaka went down for the 4th time. He got up at the count of 7 then was sent down again, and counted out.

In the supporting card: Yuji Masuko, 125, of Japan bested Gonzales Jr., 122, in 10 rounds. Greg Rimarin, 112, stopped Virgilio Villacina, 109, in 8. Abraham dela Cruz, 115, halted Carmelo Francisco, 117, in 5. Ben Pepito, 103, whipped Octavio Sanchez, 102, in 6.

Cesar Soliman, 108, won over Segmundo Macalalad, 111, in 6. Soc Bahamondes, 130, decisioned Charlie Lucena Jr., 128, in 6. Dionisio Espantaleon, 107, drew with Frankie Navarro, 108, in 4. Noel Morales, 103, defeated Ben Gimena, 108, in 4. Ruberto de Luna, 123, decisioned Joe Canonaso, 119, in 6.

▸ Arthur Persley, 132½, won the fight, but lost the decision to Vicente Derado, 132, of Argentina in 10 rounds at the Araneta Coliseum. The referee and one of the judges voted in favor of Vicente while the other judge, voted in favor of Persley. The 8,000 fans jeered the decision.

Chokchai Krissanachai, 124, and Grego Garcia, 124, drew in 10 rounds and it was another unpopular decision. The aggressiveness of the Filipino had no effect on the more clever and faster Thailander. But the decision was a draw.

Speedy Hayase, 111, defeated Rudy Somodio, 111, in another 10 rounder. Rudy was stronger, but failed to locate his faster opponent.

Billy Brown, 113, and Rudy Cabrera, 114, received a technical draw after accidental butting in the 3rd round.

Jessie Cortez, 147, stopped Blandino Deinia, 142, in 6. Primitivo Paguio, 108, halted Frankie Navarro, 109, in 6. Boy Baesa, 131, decisioned Soc Bahamondes, 130, in 6. Boy Halili, 112, won over Flash Pamplona, 111, in another 6 rounder.

▸ Rene Barrientos, 130, junior lightweight champion of the Philippines, defeated Carl Penalosa, former lightweight and junior welter kingpin of the Philippines in 10 rounds at the Cebu Coliseum, Cebu City. Carl was staggered several times in the 7th and 8th rounds. The decision was unanimous.

Ric Penalos, 130, decisioned Cid Cloma, 130, in 10 rounds. Curly Aguirre, 120, kayoed Tony Jumao-as, 120, in 7. Henry Acido, 112, bested Aniceto Bernales, 112, in 8. Manlo Torres, 127, stopped Tony Codinera, 126, in 9. Teodosio Echavez, 112, halted Joe Ybanez, 112, in 3.

▸ Federick "Sugar" Bonus, 118, bantamweight champion of the Philippines, halted Rudy Valliagonza, 116, in 10 rounds at the Araneta Coliseum. The challenger was reeling around the ring when caught by a right to the chin, and the referee stopped the fight and awarded the decision to the champion.

Flory Kid, 126, halted Celso Patiag, 125, in 2. Ernie Gloria, 112, bested Ely Wonder Boy, 113, in 8. Boy Clinton, 136, and Rocky Linao, 134, drew in 6.

Strong Tony, 118, whipped Sonny Pancho, 113, in 6. Rocky Padilla, 112, kayoed Speedy Castro, 109, in 3. Rocky Palo, 114, bested Tony Chavez, 110, in 4.

▸ Orlando Medina, 129, defeated Rey Millar, 129, in 10 round main event at the Rizal Coliseum. In the 4th and 8th, Miller was on the verge of going down from body attacks. The decision was unanimous.

Flash Dumdum, 120, won a 10 round decision over veteran Al Asuncion, 120, in another 10 rounder.

Jessie del Valle, 130, stopped Raymond Rivera, 120, in 8. Flash Bolano, 136, drew with Warlie Palomo, 134, in 10. Bonnie Boromeo, 121, bested Ric Porcalla, 124, in 6.

Lito Manes, 123, beat Gabby Leporada, 121, in 4. Mario Nofuente, 124, stopped Leopoldo Resota, 125, in 3. Rey Padilla, 111, bested Ernesto Caballes, 113, in 4. Kid Gallardo, 128, beat A. Angeles, 129, in 4.

▸ Arthur Persley, 133, lost to Pedro Adique, 134, in 10 rounds at the Aranta Coliseum. The Negro fighter was the master of the Filipino in all angles and had Adique's left eye practically closed but still lost the decision. The decision was a surprise to the fans and the press.

Fil Ravalo, 140, halted Eliseo Aranda, 140, in 6, when the GAB physician declared that Aranda was unfit to continue due to a deep cut over his left eye. Rudy Perocho, 134, won over Jess Joe Dabu, 134, in 10. Ric Ceballos, 134, halted Porte Villa, 124, in 8.

Fernando Lumacad, 126, beat Cornelio Mendoza, 127, in 8. Gene Aragon, 129, decisioned Dony Tesorio, 130, in 8. Alex Alarde, 140, stopped Eddie Ereno, 139, in 3. Danny Santiago, 116, bested Catalino Maves, 117, in 6. Rogelio Rodenas, 112, and Arlington Perlota, 111, drew in 4. Angelito Angeles, 112, kayoed Arsenio Cadaingan, 112, in 3.

▸ Filipino fighters are receiving their setbacks in their foreign ring invasions. Rey Asis lost to Alan Rudkin in 10 rounds in London, June 16; Ric Magramo bowed to Takeshi Nakamura in 12 rounds in Tokyo, Japan, June 20; Larry Flaviano, a lightweight lost to Suh Kang-Il in 10 rounds in Seoul, June 26; Paul Sebastian lost to Katsumo Takano of Japan in 4 rounds in Honolulu, and Pete Acera drew with Jamie Wonder of Phoenix, in 8, in Honolulu, June 2.

OHIO BOXING NEWS
By Eddie Schauer

Rubin "Hurricane" Carter blew in and out of Akron, leaving a shambles of hopes and dreams of that city's boxing gentry. Amid the wreckage was disenchanted Fate Davis, a local welterweight who had run up a record of 20 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss before meeting the "Hurricane."

After a minute of preliminary sparring, Carter tossed a solid left hook flush on the whisker's and the local idol was flat on his face. Davis regained his wobbling pins before the count of ten but was glazed and helpless, so referee Tony Chudick wisely called it a halt. The time was 1:26. Davis' weight was announced as 150 and Carter's, 156.

The semi-final featured Ron Delaney, 152, one time middleweight contender, against Chuck McCreary, 149, and provided the fans with some interesting action. Southpaw Delaney, a long time Akron favorite, still packs a wallop as McCreary found out. A whistling right hook dropped Chuck in the third round, but he managed to last the round.

In the fifth, another vicious Delaney right spun the Youngstowner around and he wobbled over to the ropes dazed. Round six saw McCreary on the deck at the bell, again, from Ronnie's powerful hook. The last two rounds were the same pattern. Delaney got the nod.

The prelims follow: Roy Anderson, 171, of Akron stopped Gene Hunt, 200, of Akron in 1:37 of the third.

Steve Applebrey, 172, of Cincinnati was cut over the left eye by Bill Hardney, 174, of Patterson, N.J. and the match was halted after 2:28 of the first round.

Walt Kelly, 151, of Buffalo, won a T.K.O over Primus Williams, 147, of Cincinnati when referee Billy Lewis stopped the bout in 2:22 of the fifth. 2,300 fans attended paying $7,700.00 into the till.

▸ **Buckeye Bits and Bites**—Ronny Asher, Bellaire, Ohio, lightheavy traveled to Uniontown, Pa., where he was stopped by Jack Rodgers in two rounds. Bobby Sandello, promising Cleveland bantamweight, has moved to California.

"Irish" Jimmy Saunders, former welterweight from Warren, Ohio, has started promoting amateur bouts again. Pete Rademaker tells me he is "out of the game altogether" because of other business interest. Too bad Earl Johnson, Cleveland welterweight, does not get more work. Was very promising boy. Buff Alton and Larry Agins of Steubenville have another prospect in welterweight Billy Byrd.

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TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

Lubbock—Professional boxing returned to Lubbock, and an enthusiastic crowd cheered a bang-up show. In the main bout, Oklahoma City's George "Scarpiron" Johnson opened up a cut over the left eye of Cowboy Roy Rogers of Levelland in the second round, and the wound proved to be Rogers' downfall. Referee Bill Henderson halted proceedings after 2:30 of the seventh round, awarding th bout to Johnson on a T.K.O. Rogers piled up points all the way, and was ahead when the end came.

It was the Cowboy's third straight loss due to cuts over the eyes——first Tod Herring, then Elmer Rush, and now Johnson

The former Hereford High School football star is a rugged brawler, and a layoff of a couple of months should put him back in peak shape. Johnson weighed 212, Rogers 209.

Floyd Molina of Dallas, 137, copped a unanimous decision over Marciano Rivas, 135, Juarez, Mexico, in a crowd pleasing six. Molina kept on top of the South of the Border walloper and outhustled him to nail down another victory.

Molina is a former Texas Golden Glove champ who turned pro after a lengthy amateur career. He is a boxer to be reckoned with.

Alonzo Harris, 162, Oklahoma City, slam-banged his way to victory over Freddy "Tiger" Brown, 160, Dallas, in an interesting six rounder.

Tall Freddy Burris, 143, Dallas, halted Frankie Taylor, 141, Jacksboro, in round two.

Corpus Christi—Former lightweight Joe Brown proved that he still has plenty on the ball by winning a unanimous 10-round decision from Texas lightweight king, Porfirio "Blackie" Zamora of Corpus Christi. "Old Bones' 'dropped "Blackie" in the fourth with a short right hand to the jaw, and was in command of the situation the rest of the way. Joe always at his championship weight, scaled 136¾, while Zamora weighed 135.

In one of the all time great brawls seen in the thriving city of Corpus Christi, lanky unbeaten Severo "Kid" Balboa, 143, Corpus Christi, outboxed rough, tough, Calvin Chapman of Mobile, a 143 pounder, who pulls all the tricks out of the hat and then some. It was Balboa's superior boxing skill that won him the 10-round thriller that had the crowd limp at the finish.

Chapman was making his first start in sometime. He managed to slam an occasional elbow into Balboa's face, was warned for hitting on the break, and for general rough-housing. Promoter Jack Irwin anticipates a good box office attraction in the "Kid." Chapman, is the kind of a battler who also brings smiles to a promoter's face.

Joe Saldana, 131½, Corpus Christi, used an educated left jab, and beautiful combinations to gain a six round duke from aggressive little Jesse Alaniz, 133½, Houston. These two ex-Marines battled it out all the way, Saldana continues as one of the South's brightest youngsters.

Gil De La Santos, 146½, Corpus Christi, had to stave off a tremendous finish by the brick-fisted Reyes "The Crow" Garcia, 145, Houston, and managed to stay on the unbeaten list by a narrow margin victory. It was the pro debut for the feared "Crow" who was a one-time champ among the Texas "servicemen."

Two hot prospects, Jimmy Sandoval, 126, and Doroted "Sonny" De Alejandro, 126, both of Corpus Christi, opened the show with one of the wildest four round draws imaginable. They delighted the fans.

ODDS & ENDS: Promoter Earl Gilliam of Texas Boxing Enterprises has opened up a new small club in Houston. It should be a boost to the fight game in the South. He'll go every two weeks at Dance Town, U.S.A. His plans at this writing are to go twice a month.

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HOUSTON—Before 700 screaming fight fans who paid $1,700, Steve Freeman hung a fifth round technical knockout on chunky Beldon Paton of Dallas in the main bout of the initial fistic presentation of Texas Boxing Enterprises at Dance Town, U.S.A. The classy Freeman piled up points from the beginning with an educated left hand. Paton kept moving in, but his every move was countered by the lightning quick Lake Jackson product who now lives in Houston.

Paton was knocked to the deck four times in the fifth (Referee Chris Jordan ruled one trip to the canvas as a slip), and the final trip ended hostilities. Freeman stuffed to weigh 132½ for Paton who came in at 143.

In a riotious affair, Gene Wells, 162, Mobile, and George Seals, 163, Houston, had the enthusiastic crowd standing throughout their hectic brawl. It was a club fight at its finest. The Mobile bomber began to unload some heavy artillery in the fourth round of this semi-final six. A thunderous right hand dropped Seals for nine. Wells tore in, and was raining home a torrent of punches from all directions on Seals who was draped across the ropes when Referee Jimmy Webb wisely halted the fight.

Karl Zurheide, 164, Houston, outboxed Mike "Tiger" Brown, 163, Dallas, to capture a six round duke. Zurheide was the master throughout.

Joe Saldana, 136, Corpus Christi, about six pounds overweight, won a close one from one Booker T. Manafee, 133, Dallas.

In the opener, Jesse Alaniz, 134, Houston, ate gobs of left jabs in the first round from his long armed foe, but finally worked in close where he dropped Huey Holmes, 138, Houston, for nine in round two, and then twice more in the third for nine counts Alaniz and Holmes fought toe-to-toe in the fourth. Alaniz was the unanimous winner in a good bout.

NOTED—Two recent Houston arrivals are Joe Saldana and Porfirio "Blackie" Zamora from Corpus Christi. Saldana is enrolling at the University of Houston, and Zamora is the Texas lightweight champion. Both boys are managed by Benny Lozano, the Corpus Christi businessman who moved to the Houston area six months ago and opened up Chito's Restaurant in Bellaire.

Gaylord Barnes keeping fit and ready by veteran trainer Shifty Dando the old ex-battler . . . Other top trainers around the Texas Boxing Club Gym are Roxy Kalo, Billy DeFoe, Sammy Musco, Charles Court, and George Brown, while Perry Payne holds forth at the A&B Gym . . . One of the hottest young prospects the writer has seen in quite sometime is Danny O'Quinn, an 18-year old farm boy from Cypress, Texas. Look for great things from Danny. He's just out of Cy-Fair High School, and weighs 147-pounds.

Irish Jimmy Manahan is now a boxing instructor in the Army at Camp Polk, Louisiana. He hopes to be able to continue his pro boxing career while in the service.

Still have numerous copies of the Emile Griffith-Manuel Gonzalez fight program with full length photos of both on front page. You can have a copy of same by sending twenty five cents (25¢) to the writer at 4903 Laurel, Bellaire, Texas 77401, for cost of handling Also, have a list of other old programs available some dating back to 1953.

Roxy Kalo training the three Mobile battlers, Jeff Davis, Gene Wells, and Calvin Chapman . . . Billy DeFoe doing a good job of teaching tough Reyes "The Crow" Garcia the finer points of boxing. "The Crow" is a diamond in the rough, and is managed by Charles Terry, who also has Henry Dominguez.

Big Jeff Davis, the towering six foot, four inch, 210 pounder, is itching for a battle.

A DIP INTO THE PAST—Once again we slip backward into the past for some mighty interesting items. Our source of information, naturally, comes from our library of Ring Magazines. First, we'll take you back a decade, then thirty years and fill you in on the happenin's in Texas at that time.

10 years (October, 1955 issue of Ring) . . . turning to page 51 of that issue, under Texas Boxing News, the big noise was Paul Jorgensen's 10-round victory over Henry "Pappy" Gault in Houston's old City Auditorium. In an under ten Ray Riojas came on fast to edge Ray Portilla . . . Bobby Dykes was too cute for aggressive and hard hitting Moses Ward of Detroit and walked off with a 10-round duke at San Antonio . . . Ray Riojas beat Eddie Cates of New Orleans in a tremendous thriller in the Beaumont Sportatorium.

Bobby Spaeth of Kansas and William "Red" Worley battled to a 10-round draw in a Dallas headliner . . . Baby Vasquez, Maxico's high-ranking lightweight, made his bow in San Antonio and whipped George Collins of New York in 10.

Over at Austin, Mel Barker, who was a young welter prospect at the time came through with a good 10-round victory over my old amigo Alfonso Flores of Mexico. Gentlemen Jim Brewer kayoed Charlie Patterson in two heats of a lightweight scrap.

Brewer later went to Hollywood and broke into the movies (whatcha doin' now, Jim) . . . Others fighting around Texas at that time were Donnie Fleeman, Bobby Watson, Henry Luera, Irish Pat McCarthy, Floyd East, Tony Gonzales, Al Juergens, Chato Duarte, Joe Boland, Rocky Caballero, and Tommy Barron to name but a few.

30 years ago (October, 1935 issue of Ring) . . . News of Texas Rings was written by Bill Davee, and he noted that local talent was being developed into outstanding attractions . . . He cited the case of Pat McDuff, a young heavyweight who had flattened something like twelve consecutive foes . . . Another heavyweight youngster of note at that time was James Bradley, of Ft. Worth, who was 19. It was noted that Bradley was unbeaten in 30 bouts, and had 26 kayoes to his credit . . . Duke Tramel was winning his eighth fight in a row. The Forth Worth bomber was on the comeback trail.

Chief Parris boosted his stock sky high by decisively beating Lew Massey of Philadelphia at Dallas . . . Dave Shapiro figured in two of the best fights of the month. He beat Roy Stice, but lost a close one to Lou Beard. The columnist said that Shapiro would be a great fighter if he kept more active, but was a student at the University of Texas and just didn't have the time to devote to boxing . . . Dick Ruble was another U. of Texas fighter who was going great guns, and was winning his 31st fight without a loss.

Others active in the Lone Star State 30-years ago this issue included Tommy Freeman, the former welter king, Wild Bill McDowell, Dick McCawley and Wild Wilson Dunn.

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BOXING NEWS FROM MIAMI

By Hank Kaplan

Miami Beach, Fla.—The long respite between boxing presentations here came to a halt with a vengeance. Chris Dundee promised 50 rounds of boxing at the Auditorium and came through with just that as every mitt-slinger on the 7 bout card went the scheduled distance.

The 50-round program was a gimmick to point up the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Miami Beach. The net proceeds went toward the U. S. fund to send representatives to the Maccabeah Games in Tel Aviv this Summer.

In one of the 10 rounders, Sugar Cliff, Nassau, 148, outscored Joe Murchison, Jacksonville, 147½, all the way. Though heavily judged for Cliff, the bout was an exciting one. Cliff was his usual busy self and survived the occasional heavy fists of ring-rusty Murchison to capture the majority of rounds.

In the other ten, two of the most promising young lightweights, with like records, 15-1-0, vied for supremacy. Grady Ponder, Miami, 137, was the unanimous choice over stand-up Orlando Ruiz, Maracaibo, 138½, in slow action. On paper, a better match could not have been made but similarity of styles dulled the contest. Both contestants of the "boxer" variey, the bout was marred by steady holding despite efforts by Referee Willie Pastrano to end the practice.

Orlando Ruiz added a second loss on his record but gained a birthday cake which was presented to him minutes before the opening bell.

In a good eight round draw, Frank Hollaway, Miami, 144, and Tommy Dennis, Tampa, 147½, laid the groundwork for an encore.

In a sixer, Duke Johnson, Redbank, N.J., 191, came off the deck after a first round knockdown to outsmart ever-trying Billy Tiger, Miami, 180, and win a split decision.

Don Lutz, Milwaukee, 159½, won his third straight. He decisioned Willie Taylor, Miami, 160, recently discharged Army man in a six round bout.

In a four round bout, former football star in his second start since being separated from the Army, Carl Starling, Miami, 159½, came back with renewed vigor after a poor start, to beat Ed Barnett, Miami, 160½. The stout hearted Starling is being managed by Blackie Bethel.

In his initial start after 6 years of inactivity, Cuban Ignacio Matias, 133½, thrilled his countrymen with a bruising six round victory over good puncher James Lee, Miami, 137½. By far the best fight of the show, both boys made new friends. Matias is a protege of former welter champ Luis Rodriguez, with whom he started his amateur boxing career, eleven years ago in Cuba.

▶ A heavyweight pier-sixer between Tony Alongi and Levi Forte could have supplanted, for savagery, the legendary Charlie Norkus-Danny Nardico bout of the early 1950's at Miami Beach had the tempo of the first three rounds gone unabated. The fans clamored for an encore following the 10 round fight at the Auditorium which was far and away the best "big guy" action seen here in years.

Showing the endurance-killing effect of a 11 month layoff, Alongi, 210½, was decked for an 8 count by Forte, Eufalia, Alabama, spiritual balladeer, 194, by an after-break right in the first round. Tony was felled Sequoia-like but bounced right up, protesting the knockdown call.

In the second round Tony evened matters with a slugging attack which put Forte on the lower ropes for a count.

The third canto saw both fighters see-sawing out of difficulty with Alongi finishing with the most impressive assault. He had Forte holding on in a neutral corner.

The judging was unanimous in favor of Alongi who is now winner of 34 of 37 bouts. Tony suffered a long cut over his right eye.

In a companion 10-rounder, Prentice Snipes, Miami hospital employee, 189½, had too many tricks for the determined Willie Johnson, Deerfield Beach, 190, to win a split-decision. They were competing for a shot at Alongi. Johnson, well-conditioned and off a hot winning streak, could not overcome the experience of the clever Snipes. One of four heavyweight Johnsons now campaigning here, Willie lost little stature in his showing against Snipes.

Duke Johnson, Red Bank, N. J. favorite, 190, was his entertaining self in plodding through a 6 round draw with bright prospect Billy Tiger, Miami, 178. In attempting to prove that his previous week's victory over Tiger was no fluke, Duke shot his bolt in the first three rounds, then snorted through the last three. Tiger put the pressure on from the opening bell against the crafty Johnson but made it count only in the latter rounds against the tiring Duke.

For the second time in a series of three, Ray Malone, Detroit, 135, became the K.O. victim of Jimmy Lee, Miami, 135, as he suffered a 3rd round TKO loss in a scheduled 6 rounder. Ray was dropped for a count in the third by a left hook, and bounced back, but the threatening Lee forced the referee to intervene.

Jimmy McNeil, Miami, 190, landed the more effective blows as he split-decisioned Isaac Grubbs, Miami, 196, in the opening 4-rounder.

▶ **MIAMI HIGHLIGHTS**—Angelo Dundee, manager of Cassius Clay, suggests the possibility of a nationwide home telecast of the next World heavyweight title defense . . . A long time hassle between the City of Miami Beach and Championship Sports, Inc., was finally resolved when the City Council agreed to accept half payment of the $10,000 owed to it by the boxing group.

The debt originated as the result of a bond put up by Championship Sports, Inc., to use the Miami Beach Convention Hall for the Sonny Liston-Floyd Patterson re-match which was shelved due to Liston's knee injury and was Owens, who once bombed out Billy Stephon in Lightweight Perfecto Garcia finally submitted to the surgeon's scalpel to clear up his hernia and is convalescing . . . Another fighter out of action with hernia—Jimmy Mackey, Homestead lightweight . . . After a three year military service tour, Bill Folliard's promising heavyweight, Al Owens, who once bombed out Billy Stephon in one round, is scheduled for release in September. Following a 15-3-0 record, including 11 K.O. wins, Al joined the Army where he coached the crack Fort Campbell, Kentucky, boxing team.

Mike Mamarelli, one of the most popular little fighters yet to appear here has joined the Air Force at the Lackland Base in Texas . . . Former New York lightweight, Jackie Pilkington, a skilled operative of the 20's, now in retirement, has adopted a Miami Beach address on a permanent basis.

Georgie Brown, former New York lightweight (1915-1925), and New York State Athletic Commission official, is retired in Deerfield Beach . . . Tom Heeney, famed "Hard Rock From Down Under," now out of the taproom he owned for years on Miami Beach and relaxing, still feels that Rocky Marciano was one of the all-time greats.

New prospect in the classroom status is Steve Lit, from New Jersey, 6 foot, 5½ inches tall, 250 pounds, 20 years old and under the direction of 5 footer Mac Goodman, his trainer . . . Syracuse and Miami lightweight Al Simmons, 137½, ran into the punishing fists of Ted Whitfield, 143, and suffered a 4th round K.O. at Mechanics Hall in Worcester, Mass.

A hot grudge match in the making—Willie Johnson versus Chip Johnson, with Promoter Chris Dundee eager . . . Joe Nardi, middleweight who did most of his early boxing in Miami, is now operating in California and lined up for action.

Undefeated Savannah middleweight Gordon Lott, appeared headed for a brilliant career before joining the Army at Camp Gordon. With his military days behind him, and still under the management of Marty Fuller, he will resume his campaign. He is back on the training schedule at the Miami Beach Fifth Street Gym.

Visiting here with 50 members of the Anglo-American Club from London, is England's live-wire matchmaker, Mickey Duff. Alan Rudkin is Duff's choice as the most talented of all British prospects. He predicts Alan will be the bantamweight champion of the World . . . Florentino Fernandez, is unwilling to let up in his pursuit of a crack against Joey Giardello. Florentino claims the champion is obliged to meet him in a non-title setto since they signed contracts for a meeting in San Juan last May.

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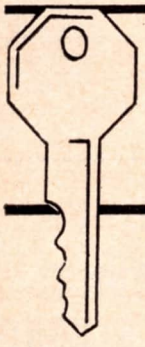

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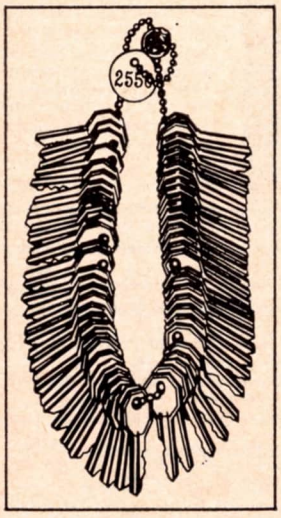

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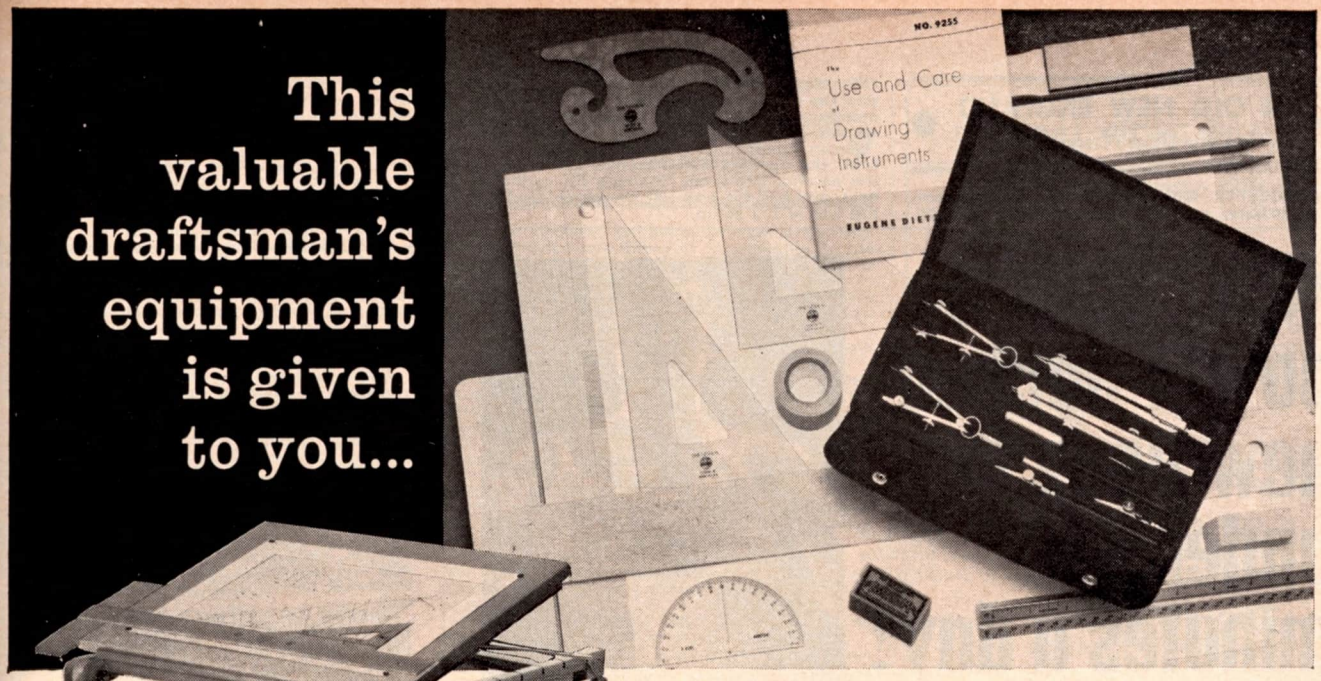

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IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

WORCESTER—Mechanic's Hall—Marion Conner, 177, Roxbury, and Clay Thomas, 176, Patterson, N.J., staged a savage slugfest in which Conner won the eight round decision by the slimmest of margins. Referee Bill Lieberman tabbed the fight all even.

Heavy punches were thrown by both scrappers from the opening bell. Thomas was dropped in the second, badly cut Conner's lip in the same heat, and had his own left eye closed and cut by the end of the scrap.

Eddie Owens, 163, Holyoke, handed a boxing lesson to Billy Cribbs, 155, Roxbury, continually beating him to the punch in the six round semi-final. Grady Clay, 210, Fitchburg soldier stationed at Fort Devens, upset and ill-conditioned Charley Polite, 200, Springfield, in six heats.

Billy Conlin, 166, Fitchburg, appeared to have won handily over Tony Diamond, 171, Paterson, N.J., but had to be content with a split decision win in the four round opener.

▸ **WORCESTER**—Mechanic's Hall—Ted Whitfield, 143, Amherst, New England welterweight champion, halted Al Simmons, 137, Syracuse, N.Y., in four rounds. Whitfield was in charge from the beginning. Simmons was shaken at the bell ending the first round, dropped near the end of the third, and again in the fourth before Referee Billy Connolly intervened.

Eddie Spence, 161, Pittsfield, repeated a previous win by stopping Tony Diamond, 169, Paterson, N.J., in the third round.

Gus Allen, 146, Rochester, N.Y., now living in Pittsfield, handed a real pasting to Sammy (Cooley) Campbell, 142, Roxbury, in taking a six round decision. Lou Raftes, 148, New York, stopped Angel Morales, 150, Paterson, N.J., in the second round of a four rounder

▸ **BOSTON Arena**—Ted Whitfield, 145, Amherst, passed his biggest test in winning over veteran Charley Scott, 147½, Philadelphia, by decision over the ten round route. Whitfield turned in a masterful performance, as he landed almost at will.

Whtfield was shaken up in the seventh round but withstood Scott's efforts to end the fight there. It wasn't until just before the final bell, that Scott was staggered, although he had caught many solid punches during the bout.

Mike Ryan, 142, Lowell, punched out a six-round decision over the more experienced Willie Williams, 140, Brookline, in the semi-final. Eddie Spence, 157, Pittsfield, won a TKO in the second round when Andrew Grey, 162, New York, wrenched his back.

The first punch of the fight spilled Bobby Bridges, 138, Lowell, who courageously fought back and halted Nelson Cabassa, 142, New York, before the first session was over. Lou Raftes, 147, New York, battered Longino Cabassa, 146, New York, into a TKO defeat in three rounds.

▸ Boxing in Connecticut has been made illegal with the signing of a bill which had passed both Houses of the State Legislature. The bill curtailing boxing was signed by Governor John Dempsey. The bill does have a clause in it that there shall be no boxing in the state until such time as boxing will be under Federal control.

The Sonny Liston-Cassius Clay bouts prompted a bill to be introduced in Massachusetts but it was defeated

BOXING IN ECUADOR
By Bruno Stornaiolo

QUITO—Daniel Guanin, 140, kayoed Jesus Caicedo, 140, in the 6th.

▸ **LATACUNGA**—Victor Aymara, 137, drew with Jorge Morales, 145, 8. Daniel Guanin, 140, kayoed Isafas Otoya, 142, in the 4th.

▸ **AMBATO**—Jorge Altamirano, 127 kayoed Victor Acosta, 123, in the 2nd. Hector Najera, 117, kayoed Hector Ramos, 116, in the 6th. Victor Aymara, 137, decisioned Luis Leon, 138, in 8 rounds. Luis Mora, 160, decisioned Venezuelan Marcos Pirela, 158, in 10.

Here are the results of the latest Ecuador fights:

▸ **QUITO**—César Taco, 124, kayoed Jorge Altamirano, 128, in the 4th. Victor Aymara, 132½, decisioned Luis "Torito" Altamiramo, 133¾, in 8 rounds.

▸ **QUITO**—Eugenio Espinoza, 140, kayoed Jesús Caicedo, 140, in the 7th.

▸ **GUAYAQUIL:** Antonio "Jack" Castillo decisioned Alfredo Gaviria, in a welterweight fight of 4 rounds. Jorge "Zurdo" Riera decisioned Argentinian lightweight Oscar Lencinas, in 8 rounds. Gualberto "Fierrito" Fernandez, Uruguay, kayoed Pedro Ramos in the 7th of another lightweight fight. In final bout Miguel Herrera, 123, decisioned César González, 123, in 12 rounds, winning the Ecuadorian Featherweight Title.

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By J. Jimmie Amann

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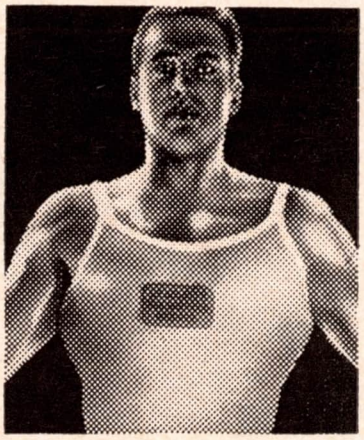

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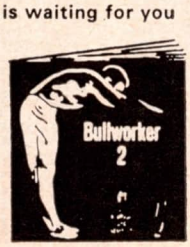

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CAPITOL CAPERS
By Mike Geary

Promoter Ed Weaver played host to nearly 4,000 Washingtonians who paid better than $13,000 to see professional boxing return to Washington after a three year darkness.

At Washington Coliseum, the new promoter furnished a twin-bill featuring Sugar Ray Robinson and Young Joe Walcott (Bridgeton, N.J.), preceded by Holly Mims, 157, a local crowd pleaser, against Larry Barrett, 160½. Baltimore . . . Lanky Barrett, much taller than Mims, used his bicycle and Mims wearied of his chase, but carried off the honors.

44-year old Sugar Ray Robinson who wants to become middleweight champion for the sixth time looked mighty tired and his opponent, Young Joe Walcott didn't look any better. Robinson commenced with an early spark, but he seemed unable to uncork a good solid blow or negotiate an effective combination . . . The ex-champ missed a couple early opportunities to end the bout in a hurry and after the third round, in a temperature 90 degrees, Robinson was awarded the unanimous decision . . .

Al Stalling, Washington (196), beat Bob Johnson, Baltimore (198½), in four rounds. Lee Clemons (149½) Freeport, L.I., and Willie Gray (150), Washington, fought six rounds. Clemons scored a knockdown, but lost the decision to Gray.

Herbie Lee (139), Washington, is known as former Olympic contender Herbie Dolloson; made a successful professional debut by flooring Ralph Boone (140½), Washington, three times before scoring a TKO in the fifth round . . .

Jimmy Lake, 85-year-old youngster in the local boxing cult, was guest announcer for the Robinson-Walcott match and was also the guest of honor at a Presidential Arms blast; kicked-off recently by a $1,000 donation from Wrestling Promoter Vince McMahon. The special Jimmy Lake benefit was further promoted by Goldie Ahearn; Eddie Rosenblum and Milton Kronheim Sr.; and many others.

Middleweight Champion Joey Giardello, Stan Musial and Jimmy Brown were in attendance at a luncheon during the annual Mental Retardation Encampment conducted at the Rockville, Maryland estate of Sargent Shriver and his wife Eunice Kennedy Shriver. The Shrivers have turned over their property to retarded youngsters.

Eddie McConnell a featherweight who fought as Eddie Burl and once won a ten-round non-title bout from former featherweight champion Petey Sarron, died in Washington at the age of 58 . . . Eddies' local fighting started before the sport was legalized in this area . . .

MEMPHIS AND MID-SOUTH
By Jim Ryan

Blytheville, Ark. Co-promoters James Long and Sanford Barrom staged an action packed card at Legion Arena before about 350 fans.

In the feature, Ernie Burford, 163, Memphis, Tenn., banged out a ten round decision over rugged Billy DePriest, 153, Sardis, Miss., to continue his winning streak.

The fighting was even in the early rounds, but DePriest made his move in the sixth, when he staggered Burford with a right, but Ernie clinched and weathered the storm.

Burford dropped the tiring DePriest twice in the seventh, and once each in the eighth and ninth, and had Billy on the floor at the final bell.

DePriest claimed he was hit by an illegal kidney punch when he went down in the eighth. The DePriest people were displeased about some alleged "rabbit punches".

Southpaw Jimmy Towles, 142, Chicago, Ill., upset Dale Davis, 139, Poplar Bluff, Mo., in the six round semi-final.

Your writer refereed the final and semi.

Al Jones, 198, St. Louis, Mo., decisioned Bobby Rapier, 221, New York City, in six. Rapier was trying to avenge an earlier one round K.O. at the hands of Jones, and made a close fight of it.

Logan Blocker, 160; Mphs., Tenn., decisioned Leon Stone, 159, Sardis, Miss., sparmate of DePriest. Blocker floored Stone in the fifth. It was the first pro start for both.

Ray Vega, West Mphs. lightheavyweight, and the Ring's Prospect Of The Month in August, refereed the two openers. Vega is having trouble finding opponents in this area.

▸ **MEMPHIS, TENN.** Promoters Sanford Barrom and Wimpy Adams are seeking to match Ernie Burford with Gasper Ortega at the new 12,000 seat Memphis Coliseum, in the near future. Pro boxing has suffered a long absence in Memphis.

WESTERN CANADA NEWS
By Jim Johnston

George Chuvalo, Canadian heavyweight champion, battered Dave Bailey of Philadelphia, to the canvas after 36 seconds of the third round at Regina.

The end came as Chuvalo stalked his quarry into a corner and caught the rangy Philadelphian with a left hook to the body followed up with a right that landed smack on the temple. The sell-out crowd of 5,100 attended.

Bailey is a former sparmate of champion Cassius Clay, was not badly outclassed until the third round.

One judge gave Bailey and Chuvalo 10 points each.

Archie Ray of Tucson, Arizona, chilled Bob Avery of Phoenix in four rounds in the co-feature. The bout was a crowd-pleaser with Ray at 196 pounds, showing some dazzling combinations that had Avery, 220, off balance. The fight ended with Avery drooped over the ropes.

Johnny Featherman felled George Murphy in two heats and Boston Jacobs of New York, stopped Ray Fiddler of Prince Albert by a T.K.O. in the fourth.

Promoter Nick Zubray will try to stage another card featuring Chuvalo on Aug. 4.

▸ **Fight Highlights:** Irv Ungerman, George Chuvalo's manager claims Dave Bailey has sparred over 300 rounds with Cassius Clay without ever being floored. Bailey has also fought Ed Machen, Cleveland Williams, Bob Foster and Sonny Banks.

Harold Mann of Prince George, may headline a show there in September. Mann who is undefeated in seven pro bouts injured his thumb in his last start, a decision over Frank "Snakebite" Niblett of San Jose.

Jim Walters, Vancouver middle, is making a successful comeback after five years of retirement. His pro record is now 15-1-1, and he has reversed both the loss and the draw.

"Kid" Cutler Edmonton, lightie, is seeking ring action at the coast. Cutler has won six out of nine . . . Al Chabot of Vancouver, who was kayoed by Manuel Ramirez at San Jose, Cal., in 9 rounds earlier this year, has an offer to meet Ramirez in a re-match.

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AROUND THE TRI-STATE AREA
By Johnny Bizzarro

CHARLEORL—Jack Rodgers, the new light-heavyweight sensation from Uniontown, headed the return of boxing here with a three round KO over Tiger Gorman of Detroit in the six round main event.

Rodgers dropped the game but unorthodox Gorman to the floor in the second round with a tremendous left hook. Gorman somehow came off the floor but it was all Rodgers' from then on. The referee stopped the fight in the third round. This was Jack's sixth straight win and his fifth by KO.

In the six round semi-final, Gene Toran, Erie lightweight took five out of six rounds from game Ruby Richardson. Gene's attack was too much for Rudy.

KO artist Jimmy "Red" Parsons of Pittsburgh scored his sixth straight KO when he put away Barry Pritt of Uniontown at the end of the first round. The referee refused to let him come out for the second round. It was Jimmy's sixth straight KO and his seventh straight win.

Denny Stilleto, hard hitting Detroit welterweight put away Herman Dunbar in the first round with a tremendous right hand.

In another four rounder Jim Berdis, rugged Erie light-heavyweight had little trouble stopping Bob Johnson of Altoona in the second round.

A crowd of only 400 were on hand and they paid about $800 to see the card.

▸ **AKRON—**Promoter Don Elbaum came into Akron for the first time and he drew the largest crowd this city has seen in 10 years, due to the fact that local KO artist Fate Davis, wih a record of 21-1-1 and 18 KO's, was getting his chance at Hurricane Carter in the 10 round main event.

2,243 fans were on hand and they paid $7,859.50 to see the Hurricant strike. And strike he did. The time was just 86 seconds of the first round. A tremendous left hook landed on the jaw of the local hero to end the bout. Davis got up but Referee Tony Chudick refused to let Fate go on. It was Hurricane's 17th KO and his eighth in the first round.

In the semi-final, Ronnie Delaney won his third straight on the comeback trail. He tangled with tall and hard hitting Charles McCreary of Youngstown in an eight rounder. McCreary is the only other fighter to beat Davis. He KO'd Fate in the second round two years ago. Ronnie, at 35, dropped Charles three times in the eight rounds and won all but one round.

In a weird six rounder, Primus Williams took every round from Walter Kelly of Buffalo, in a welterweight match. Williams, started to tire in the fifth and received a bloody nose from the left hand of Kelly, and referee Bill Lewis jumped right in and stopped the fight.

Steve Applebury and Bill Hardney, two good looking prospects, tangled in a light-heavyweight match. Applebury was battering Hardney around when he received a cut eye and the referee, Bill Lewis stoppd it in 2:48 of the first round.

Ray Anderson, classy looking Akron light-heavyweight made his pro debut against heavyweight Gene Hunt. Anderson had his hands full with Hunt but he showed plenty of class and he stopped the bigger opponent in 1:37 of the third round. Anderson shows a lot of class.

▸ **UNIONTOWN, Pa.—**In another Don Elbaum promotion, Jack Rodgers faced hard hitting Ronnie Asher of Wheeling, West Virginia in the main event of six rounds.

Asher came here with the West Virginia light-heavyweight title, but Rodgers, a handsome boxer puncher, took charge in the first round but midway through the round, he was nailed with a right hand that almost dropped him.

In the second heat, the fighters tore at each other and while inside, they bumped heads. Both came out bleeding above the eye. Rodgers who thought they may stop the fight tore into Asher and landed a tremendous left hook that sent Ron smashing against the ropes and then onto the canvas, where he was counted out in 2:53. This was Rodgers biggest win, and most sensational. He won his seventh straight and his sixth by KO. Rodgers, 173; Asher, 175.

The semi-final lasted only 1:11 of the first round with undefeated Jimmy "Red" Parsons, 135, of Pittsburgh, scoring a KO over Jerome Ware, 149, the referee stopping the bout.

Jim McClain, 179, of Pittsburgh, is another fighter to keep an eye on. Winner of 10 out of 13 in the amateurs with all his wins coming by KO, McClain took on Sam Sellers, 169, of Charleroi in a four rounder. Sellers is the only fighter to go the distance with Jack Rodgers. McClain made a sensational pro-debut with a two round KO over Sellers. The referee, Art McGivern stopped the fight in 2:02. The Irish newcomer is handled by Billy Neumont and he looks like he has what it takes.

My brother Lou Bizzarrol, 144, of Erie, gave undefeated Billy Byrd of Steubenville, 149, a boxing lesson for four rounds to win his fourth straight pro fight. Lou, who fights like me but is even faster, moved in and out on the harder hitting Byrd. Billy who had scored a KO in his lone pro fight, had his eye closed by the rapid firing of Lou.

In the opening four rounder, Mike Belski, 154, of Charleroi won his second pro fight with a decision over game Kenny Rose, 150, of Pittsburgh.

Another good looking fighter, Ronnie "Bird" White, 152, of Pittsburgh, made his pro debut successful, when he stopped Kenny Baker, 161, of Pittsburgh in 2:35 of the third round.

A crowd of 600 paid close to $1700 to see this all-action out door card.

▸ Fighters wanting work in this area contact Don Elbaum at 1102 State St. . . . Starting in September Elbaum will have seven clubs running on a regular basis.

CORNHUSKER FISTIC HAPPENINGS

Omaha, Neb.; Highly touted and VERY rapidly improving Art Hernandez, Omaha, 160, stopped Doug MacLeod, Grand Rapids, Mich., with 46 seconds gone in the ninth round as Referee Gene Buzzello stopped the bout to save MacLeod from further punishment.

A year ago these two fought in Omaha as Hernandez had to come from behind to win a close decision but this time it was all Hernandez as he won every round of the fight. There were no knockdowns, but only sheer determination kept MacLeod from going down.

Art Hernandez hit MacLeod with everything but the ringpost as Doug kept moving in trying to get something started but he was stopped at every turn by he hand punching Hernandez. The end was in sight as Art stepped up the pace in the seventh and eighth rounds as he ripped home hard left hooks and straight rights. MacLeod was game and kept coming in for more. In the ninth Hernandez started landing more bombs and Referee Buzzello wisely stopped the bout.

Art Hernandez is now a full fledged middleweight and looks like he is ready to go against any of the best 160 pounders in the country. In his last bout Art whipped Stan Harrington.

In the special six round bout Omaha's Billy Novak dropped Scotty MacLeod of Grand Rapids, Mich., three times in the first round, for a TKO victory at 2:53 in their lightweight bout.

In the preliminaries:

Welterweight—Ray Christian, Winnipeg, won by TKO over Leno Puentes, Omaha, at 1:41 of the third, a cut eye. Ray looks like a very fine prospect.

Lightheavyweight—Jack MacCracken, St. Louis, won by TKO over Charles Stoudamire, Omaha, three rounds. Stoudamire quit his corner.

Middleweight—George Meaux, Omaha, decisioned Ronnie Sutton, Omaha, six rounds.

Promoter Joe Dusek's first venture into professional boxing was far from a success as only 541 fans paid $1,299.00 to see the card. The bout was scheduled at the ball park but a thunder shower ten minutes before the card was set to go forced the bouts to go down to the auditorium and kept many fans at home.

BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA
By Jack Levinson

J. Edward Weaver, Tidewater's present professional promoter, is somewhat reluctant to continue his promotions, although his 5th and most recent presentation, was his only financially successful venture in this area. The recent Clay-Liston fiiasco, plus the lack of good local talent is the reason.

35 years ago, when I left Philadelphia with Chris Dundee and decided to make Norfolk my home, there were four clubs operating successfully in a 20 mile area. Norfolk, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach and Newport News were presenting cards weekly.

Many of the local boys achieved national prominence. Among the many that were performing in these parts were, Dickie Welsh, Pete Pantilla, Stumpy Jacobs, Bob Goodwin, Danny Taub, Tommy Bashara, Tootsie Bashara, Pete Sams, Ken Overlin, Jake Denning, Eric Lawson, Walter Kirkwood, Tony Falco, George Rohanna, Midget Wolgast, Phil Raymond, Joe Raymond, Lou Raymond, Johnny Lussier, Red Journee, Bob Turner, Billy Landers and Buddy Grimes. Any of today's promoters, who could be lucky enough to have half of the previous named talent, would certainly be a successful promoter.

What we need most, is to develop amateurs for future professional talent.

WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending August 20, 1965

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Chuck Leslie beat J. C. Carroll, 10. Chip Johnson kayoed Willie Johnson, 6.

Joey Orbillo stopped Johnny Featherman, 7. Archie Ray halted Bob Avery, 4.

Wayne Heath beat Lino Rendon, 10.

Jerry Quarry beat Lance Holmberg, 6, Dave Centi, 6, kayoed Willie Davis, 3. George Johnson stopped Rao Rogers, 7.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS

Jose Torres beat Tom McNeeley, 10, non-title.

Gregorio Peralta outpointed Miguel Paez, 10. Wayne Thornton stopped Alonzo Johnson, 8. Bob Foster decisioned Henry Hank, 12. Piero Del Papa beat Eddie Cotton, 10.

Giulio Rinaldi kayoed Peter Gumpert, 13, to win European Light-Heavyweight Title. John McCormack stopped Chic Calderwood, 2. Fred Roots beat Aristeo Chavarin, 10.

Johnny Featherman kayoed George Murphy, 2. Harold Mann beat Eddie Hawkins, 10. Jimmy Walters decisioned Frank Nibblett, 10. Jack Rodgers kayoed Tex Gorman, 3, Ronnie Asher, 2.

Al Villafarra defeated Raymond Vegas, 8. Benny Passa kayoed Leodis Simmons, 4. Frank Fudge beat Simon Ramos, 8. Karl Zurheide outboxed Mike Brown, 6.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Rubin Carter kayoed Fate Davis, 1. Stan Harrington won from Gabe Terronez, 12.

Fred Hernandez decisioned Aristeo Chavarin, 10. Ray Robinson, 10. Ray Robinson beat young Joe Walcott.

Henry Aldrich kayoed Vic Knight, 3, beat Isaac Logart, 10. Ralph Gutierriez beat Nate Collins, 10.

Art Hernandez stopped Doug McLeod, 9. Holly Mims outpointed Larry Barrett, 10. Ray Willmore kayoed Billy DePriest, 3 and decisioned Eddie Trosclair, 6. Luis Mora won from Marcos Pirela, 10.

Takao Maemizo kayoed Muneo Mizoguchi, 7. Shigemasa Kawakami halted Hiromitsu Fujita, 7. Ronnie Delaney beat Chuck McCreary, 8. Fumio Kaizu stopped Shokichi Ueda, 4. Pedro Miranda defeated Jose Burgos, 10.

Ray Robinson beat Young Joe Walcott, 10. Tony Gibson decisioned Hilario Morales, 10. Rory O'Shea kayoed Charley Jordan, 2. Mel Winters stopped Herman Dixon, 4.

Denny Moyer beat Jimmy Lester, 10. Bruno Santini outpointed Francesco Fiori, 12. Dave Reed kayoed Silky Shelton, 1. Eddie Spence stopped Andrew Grey, 2. Harry Tetlow halted Pete Fernandez, 6.

Luis Vinales beat Elliot Miller, 4. Eddie Quinones outpointed Al Ubert, 4. Lee Clemons kayoed Oscar Haynie, 4. Wade Smith decisioned Bill Peterson, 4.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Luis Rodriguez kayoed Memo Ayon, 3, and outpointed Jose Assumpcato, 10. Ted Whitfield outpointed Charley Scott, 10.

Gabe Terronez lost to Stan Harrington, 12.

Bruno Visintin beat Ray Philippe, 15, to retain European Light-Middleweight Title. Sugar Cliff beat Tom Dennis, 10.

Fernand Simard decisioned Les Sprague, 12.

Jackie Clements outpointed Dick French, 10. Severo Balboa defeated Calvin Chapman, 10. Jorge Rosales stopped Battling Torres, 3. Manuel Avitia beat Gaspar Ortega, 10.

Levi Campbell outpointed Neil Corridon, 8. Russell Shoulars beat Juan Ramos, 8. Orlando Ruiz stopped Willie McCray, 5.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Carlos Hernandez kayoed Percy Hayles, 3, to retain World Junior Welterweight Title.

Juan Sombrita beat Sandro Lopopolo, 15, to win European Junior Welterweight Title and beat Jose Medrazo, 10. Eugenio Espinoza halted Jesus Caicedo, 7. Giordano Campai beat Luis Penteado, 10. Chico Santos outpointed Paco Cancio, 10.

Daniel Guanin kayoed Jesus Caicedo, 6, Isafas Otoya, 4. Victor Aymara beat Luis Leon, 8 and drew with Jorge Morales, 8.

Marcel Cerdan beat Jean Lepolard, 6. Alvin Clay kayoed Rugene Parker, 3. Wesley Jones kayoed Joe Para, 2, beat L. C. Blueford, 6. Mike Ryan beat Willie Williams, 6.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Ismael Laguna drew with Nicolino Loche, 10, non-title.

Abel Laudonio kayoed Euligio Caballero, 10. Maurice Cullen beat Rafiu King, 10. Dave Hilton decisioned Rocco Jones, 12. Hector Rodriguez, 10.

Carlos Gutierrez drew with Cirilo Pausa, 10, beat Hugo Rambaldi, 10. Carlos Cappella outpointed Zenon Mansilla, 10. Adan Gomez beat Valentin Brown, 10.

Steve Freeman halted Beldon Paton, 5. Joe Brown outpointed Blackie Zamora, 10. Len Kesey kayoed Pimi Amador, 2. Jimmy Fields drew with Pulga Serrano, 10.

Jimmy Parson kayoed Barry Pritt, 1, Jerome Ware, 1. Rufus Figaro decisioned Joe Ammon, 8. Fierrito Fernandez halted Pedro Ramos, 7.

Johnny Thomas beat Anthony David, 6. Johnny Isaac won from Art DeFreitas, 6. August Jim outpointed Willie Chabu, 6. Terry Molina beat Fred Stanley, 4.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Richard Sue kayoed Danny Kid, 9. Hiroshi Kobayashi outpointed Lim Chong-Tae, 10. Willie Pep beat Benny Randell, 10.

Gue Ae Chin kayoed Giberto Biondi, 8. Manzo Kikuchi beat Lim Chong Tae, 10. Ernesto Aguilar decisioned Wesley Hines, 10.

Aldo Pravisani stopped Armando Scorda, 12. Kiyoshi Toyoshima beat Sugar Carreon, 10. Rafael Luna drew with Luis Lucero, 10.

Al Sandoval beat Lionel Rivera, 8. Felix Fernandez won from Ray Malone, 8.

Katsutomi Takano outpointed Fidel Cruz, 6. Joe Saldana beat Jesse Alaniz, 6, Booker T. Manafee, 6. Basilio Williams kayoed Federico Bell, 2.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Carlos Canete beat Godfrey Stevens, 12. Rafiu King lost to Maurice Cullen, 10. Carlos Cruz beat Frankie Taylor, 10.

Baby Luis won from Jose Jimenez, 10. Tatsuya Takami beat Kunio Sakata, 10. Max Murphy decisioned Johnny Famechon, 12.

Barbulito Zuluaga outpointed Victor Cano, 10. Cesar Taco kayoed Jorge Altamirano, 4. Pete Gonzalez beat Jose Cejudo, 10, Willie Ray, 10. Miguel Herrera decisioned Cesar Gonzalez, 12.

Mervyn Walcott drew with Alick Hall, 6. Titus Sangwapo beat Jacky Jones, 6. Peppermint Frazer kayoed Rocky Racero, 1, Daniel Hernandez, 1. Leroy Sayas kayoed Tony Vega, 3.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Fighting Harada beat Katsuo, 12, non-title Bernardo Caraballo kayoed Killer Salomon, 1. Mimun Ben Ali beat Benny Lee, 10.

Risto Luukkonen lost to Bob Allotey, 8. Victor Hoyte kayoed Carlos Cruz, 7, and lost to Adolfo Osses, 10. Heliodoro Pitalua kayoed Miguel Vergara, 3. Hector Najera halted Hector Ramos, 6. Manny Elias beat Lenny Brice, 12, Norman Parra, 10.

Franco Zurlo beat Benny Lee, 6. Felix Castillo beat Ernesto Reid, 4.

FLYWEIGHTS

Salvatore Burruni beat Michel Lamora, 10. Hiroyuki Ebihara decisioned Yoshio Nakane, 10.

Horacio Accavallo outpointed Juan Moreyra, 10.

Rocky Gattellari beat Raton Mojica, 12. Enrique Barroso beat Juan Pereyra, 10. Al Diz kayoed Hee Sou Kang, 8. Accavallo beat Burruni, 10.

BOXING IN WISCONSIN
By Peter Ehrmann

The Wisconsin Boxing Commission dropped a bomb when it proposed that the World Boxing Association drop heavyweight title contenders Floyd Patterson and George Chuvalo from the ratings. The reason? For refusing to fight Ernest Terrell, W.B.A.'s head.

Allen Millenheft, Milwaukee's 175 pounder, is in Las Vegas, fighting under the name of Al Mills.

A Record Book Correction

In the 1965 Ring Record Book, page 383, the listing of the fight on July 24, 1963, between Alex Benitez of San Jose, California should read a win not a loss for Benitez. He won both the July 9 and July 24 bouts.

In Olguin's record, page 507, the July 24, 1963 bout with Benetiz should be recorded as a loss, not a win for Olguin. Benitez has not lost a fight since February, 19, 1963.

BOXING IN PORT OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD; BR. WEST INDIES
By George Beckles

Levi Campbell, 146, outpointed Neil Coridon, 144, in 8 rounds. The contest featured a good card of five bouts.

In another eight rounder, Rufus Figaro, 134, 1-2, outpointed Joe Ammon, 131.

The six round bouts found Johnny Thomas, 132, victor over Anthony David, 135, by decision; Mervyn Walcott, 121, 1-2, in a draw with Alick Hall, 122, and Johnny Isaac, 135, the winner by decision over Art De Freitas, 134.

▶ Promoter Edwin Peters made a step in the right direction, by having regular fortnight fights. One 10 rounder and four six rounders giving all the new commers a chance. This I am sure will build up all or most of the amateurs now turn professionals, it no wleaves for the boxing board of control to do the other best things, like gymnasiums in the north and south of Trinidad, which includes boxing rings, a foreign top trainer. But priority should be given to revision of our boxing rules and regulations.

Leslie Frederick, 141 lbs. "Trinidad", won by a split decision from Alciro Valentine, 141½ lbs. (Venezuela), over 10 fast rounds. Matthew Donovan, 145, decisioned Joseph Walcott, 145 lbs., over 6 rounds. David Beckles, 156 lbs., decisioned Wilfred Pegus, 152 lbs., over 6 rounds. Anthony Gay, 140, won by T.K.O. from Neil Welch, 139½ lbs., in 40 secs. of the 3rd round of a 6 rounder. Lloyd John, 113, was kayoed by Joseph Hope, 123 lbs., in 1 min. 7 secs. of the 6th round.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamashika

Stan Harrington, 153½, eked out a close, split decision over Gabriel Terronez, 150, of Fresno, California, in a 12 round fight at the Honolulu International Center. At stake, were the North American and U. S. junior middleweights titles.

The 4,876 fans who turned out for the fight expecting a slugfest were greatly disappointed. Thanks to Harrington, who elected to play it safe, the fight turned out into a dull affair with the minimum of mixing. And Terronez, who is much smaller than his opponent, wasn't able to do much about it because every time he decided to open up, he was immediately tied up by his bigger and stronger opponent.

arrington undoubtedly landed the harder blows but Terronez was the aggressor all the way.

▶ Other results follow: Al Sandoval, 131¼, decisioned Lionel Rivera, 130½ in 8 rounds; Al Andrews, 144¾, was held to a draw by Kenji Ishida, 145 in 6 rounds; Katsutomi Takano, 131, beat Fidel Cruz, 129½ in 6 rounds and Leroy Sayas, 122½, knocked out Tony Vega, 125¼, in the 3rd round.

THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

J. Onslow Fane, British boxing chief, who effected settle of war with the EBU.

British Settle War with EBU

LONDON, ENGLAND—The feud between the British Board of Boxing Control and the European Boxing Union, which two years ago caused the British to withdraw from membership, has been settled. Peace now reigns and once again the B.B.B. of C., the most powerful boxing organization in Europe, is in good standing with the E.B.U.

In a long statement issued by J. Onslow Fane, president of the B.B.B. of C., he announced that, with the differences of policy eliminated, the return of his organization was made possible. He expressed hope that henceforth the E.B.U. will make it possible for British boxers again to compete for European championships.

The adoption of new weights for the various divisions, an innovation started by the World Boxing Association in America, was largely responsible for the break that now has been mended.

Here is part of the announcement by the British Board:

"The following conditions for re-entry into the E.B.U., submitted by our organization, have been accepted:

"1—The E.B.U. has agreed to adopt the weights in each category as recognized by the rest of the world.

"2—Members of the E.B.U. must pay

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WINSTONE CATCHES TARTAR IN TOUGH CUBAN LEGRA BUT WINS FAST TEN SPOT

Heavyweight Henry Cooper, who won his third Lord Lonsdale Belt by outclassing Johnny Prescott at Birmingham. The latter retired in the tenth round.

BLACKPOOL, ENGLAND—On his way to a shot at Vicente Saldivar and the world featherweight title, Howard Winstone, British and Empire champion, caught a Tartar.

Winstone, 127, had to pull out all he knew to outpoint Jose Legra, 125½, exiled Cuban, now domiciled in Spain, in one of the fastest ten spots that one could wish to see. The un-ranked Cuban gave as much as he took, and the number one challenger for the world title had many anxious moments.

The early lead of Winstone held his fast working opponent in line and the Bristol champion gained a good points win. This was a substitute bout for the Brian London-Roger Rischer contest that was pulled out one week before the date.

We witnessed a clever and fast boxing contest with little to choose beween them. The steadier hitting by Winstone had him in front in most of the rounds by narrow margins. Winstone came out of the bout with a cut eyebrow that started in the third. In the ninth it became worse.

The Cuban, who will become a Spanish citizen, at 22 will soon be logical to box for the European title and then go further up the ratings. This was Howard Winstone's 54th win out of 56 bouts, and the Cuban's first defeat in 29 contests.

My score card read 5-3 and 2 even in favor of Winstone.

Ray Shiel, St. Helens, 202, took just under one minute to defeat Mick Cowan, Sheffield, 195, when the latter was put down and rose unsteady to fall against the ropes and the referee acted quickly to save him from further punishment.

Leslie McAteer, Liverpool, 160, stopped Jimmy Stewart, Liverpool, 157, in the

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(UP TO AUGUST 20, 1965)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. George Chuvalo (C)	1. Chic Calderwood (S)	1. Dick Tiger (N)	1. Brian Curvis (W)
2. Henry Cooper (E)	2. Johnny Halifihi (To)	2. Gomeo Brennan (B)	2. Sammy McSpadden (S)
3. Brian London (E)	3. J. Hendrickson (BWI)	3. Wally Swift (E)	3. Johnny Cooke (E)
4. Johnny Prescott (E)	4. Earl Nikora (NZ)	4. Mike Leahy (E)	4. Tony Smith (E)
5. Billy Walker (E)	5. Clarence Prince (BG)	5. Harry Scott (E)	5. Bob Cofie (G)
6. Dave Ould (E)	6. Bob Nicholson (E)	6. Blair Richardson (C)	6. Peter Coblah (G)
7. Sipa Fine (NZ)	7. Derek Richards (W)	7. Milo Calhoun (J)	7. Peter Schmidt (C)
8. Joe Bygraves (J)	8. Leslie Borden (C)	8. Johnny Pritchett (E)	8. Ian McDonald (A)
9. Jack Bodell (E)	9. Johnny Ould (E)	9. Rudolph Bent (J)	9. Johnny DePieza (Tr.)
10. Johnny Nomura (NZ)	10. Burke Emery (C)	10. Johnny Angel (N)	10. Brian McCaffey (E)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Bunny Grant (J)	1. Howard Winstone (W)	1. Alan Rudkin (E)	1. Walter McGowan (S)
2. Maurice Cullen (E)	2. Floyd Robertson (G)	2. Jackie Brown (S)	2. Rocky Gattelari (A)
3. Love Alottey (G)	3. Joe Rafiu King (N)	3. Johnny Caldwell (I)	3. Bob Alottey (G)
4. Ray Adigun (N)	4. Johnny Famechon (A)	4. Monte Laud (E)	4. Orizio Obilaso (N)
5. Percy Hayles (J)	5. John O'Brien (S)	5. Don Weller (E)	5. Alex O'Neil (I)
6. Vic Andreetti (E)	6. Frankie Taylor (E)	6. Noel Kunde (A)	6. Tony Barlow (E)
7. Dave Coventry (E)	7. Phil Lundgren (E)	7. Carl Taylor (Ind.)	7. Kid Miller (Z)
8. Teddy Meho (G)	8. Ollie Taylor (A)	8. Glyn Davies (W)	
9. Francis Ibe (N)	9. Brian Cartwright (E)	9. Terry Gale (W)	
10. Joe Tetteh (G)	10. George Bowes (E)	10. Brian Packer (E)	

LEGEND: A Austria; B Bahamas; BG British Guinea; C Canada; E England; FI Fiji Islands; G Ghana; IN India; I Ireland; J Jamaica; M Malta; N Nigeria; NZ New Zealand; S Scotland; SA South Africa; T Trinidad; TO Tonga; W Wales; BH British Honduras; Z Zambia.

third. Fred Powney, Doncaster, 150, defeated Johnny Fuller, Bournemouth, 149, in the seventh, when the latter was disqualified.

Doug Fowler, Fleetwood, 186, stopped Paddy Dempsey, Belfast, 181, when the referee intervened during the fifth.

The fight in which Henry Cooper fought off the challenge of Johnny Prescott for the Empire and British heavyweight title at Birmingham and ended in the tenth with Prescott's retirement, went on after having been delayed for 48 hours by torrential rain. Cooper gained his third Lord Lonsdale Belt.

Prescott, 190½, was outclassed by Cooper, 186¾. George Biddles, who threw in the towel for Prescott, did the very wise thing. The fight drew 18,000.

Prescott fought courageously throughout, but never had a chance. Prescott took severe body punching before he wearily sat in his corner with his left eye almost closed.

According to my score card, Prescott won only the first round. From then on, he kept taking Cooper's hooks to the head and body, before surrendering.

The Brum was cautioned for holding and misuse of the head. Referee Frank Wilson called them together on two occasions for wrestling and holding.

In the fifth, Prescott came out of a wrestling clinch and Cooper's left eye was weeping a trickle of blood, from a cut high on the cheekbone. As the bout progressed, Cooper held the advantage and dealt out severe punishment to Prescott's body.

The latter showed signs of fatigue as he walked to his corner at the end of the seventh.

In the eighth, the body blows had taken their effect. Cooper then landed a left hook to the body in one of many clinches and Prescott sank to his knees for six. That was the beginning of the end.

Although The Game Brum weathered the storm in the ninth, and early in the tenth, he was again floored "2 & 6". He rose gamely and foiled Cooper's attempts to end the contest. With his left eye almost closed, Prescott managed to last the round

Mr. Biddles walked over to Referee Wilson and asked him to stop the one-sided contest, as his man was in no condition to carry on.

Johnny Hendrickson, Battersea, 175¼, was too good for Jack Grant, Chesterfield, 177, and the referee acted wisely in stopping the contest after the latter had got up groggy from a knockdown in the first round.

Wally Swift, Nottingham, British Middleweight Champion, 157¼, gained a clear points win over Daniel Leullier, France, 162½, in eight.

Brian Cartwright, Birmingham, 125¾, outpointed Terry Crimmins, Cardiff, 128¼, in a thrilling eight.

"Southpaw" Jack Bodell, Swadlincote, 194½, was declared the winner over Dave Ould, Bermondsey, 196¾, in the fourth, when the latter was ruled out for hitting on the break.

Derek Richards, Wales, and Coventry, 172¼, outpointed Johnny Ould, Bermondsey, 177, in eight. Billy Gray, Walsall, 189¼, gained a good points win over Alan Pompey, Trinidad, 232¾, in six.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London. Two Welsh Area Championships were decided at THE CLUB. Carl Gizzi, Merthyr, 193½, defeated Len "Rocky" James, Cardiff, 203¼, in the fifth when the referee intervened in favor of the undefeated Gizzi.

Terry Gale, Cardiff & Leeds, 116¾, won the vacant Bantamweight Title when he outpointed Gerald Jones, Merthyr, 117¾, over ten rounds.

Reg Gulliver, Dagenham, 127¼, outpointed Arnold Bell, Jamaica, 130, in six. Brian Gulliver, Dagenham, 127, drew with Billy Colvin, Belfast, in six.

THE NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London. We had another Welsh Area Championship when Terry Phillips, Cardiff, 143¾, defeated Geoff Rees, EbbwVale, 146, for the vacant welterweight title. Rees was unfortunate, for when the going was good for him, he suffered an injury to his left eye from a clash of heads. Referee Bill Williams stopped the contest in favor of Phillips, in the fourth.

Terry Halpin, Wombwell, 127, outpointed Al Juma, Kenya, 130, in eight. Dick Duffy, Cardiff, 146, outpointed Ron Sharon, Aldershot, 148½, in six. Brian Langman, Gray's, 161½, knocked out George Aitken, Doncaster, 162, in the first.

ANGLO-AMERICAN SPORTING CLUB, London. Johnny Pritchett, Nottingham, 159, gained a quick win over Willie Fisher, Craigneuk, 159½, for after 105 seconds of the first round, The Scot was defenseless. Rising from a knockdown referee Pat Floyd intervened to save Fisher from further punishment. Tony Riley, Coventry, 131¼, gained a very close points decision over Evan Armstrong, Ayr, 125, in a spirited six. Tony More, Stepney, 156½, defeated Steve Richards, Brixton, 160½, in the fifth, when the latter was ruled out for the misuse of his head. Bob Keddie, Glasgow, 152¼, defeated Fitzroy Lindo, Jamaica, 156, in the fourth after the latter was forced to retire with a badly cut eye.

Harry Brooks of Aldgate, younger brother of the fighting Brooks Brothers, Joe (Bayardo) Nat and Harry, passed on at the age of 70.

DAGENHAM—George Merritt got off with a good start with his summer promotions when a good crowd saw some good fighting among the lesser lights of the fight game. Ivan Whiter, Battersea, 139, gained a hard earned points win over Local Harry Wheeler, East Ham, 143, in a thrilling eight. Tony Moore, West Ham, 167½, outclassed Roy Angel, Hendon, who started his career as Fred Albert. Sid Nathan wisely intervened to save Angel from taking further punishment during the second session. Ray Noble, West Ham, 162, was ruled out by referee Sid Nathan for persistent low punching during the second round against Chris Sammy, Nigeria, 156.

George Wiggs, West Ham, 196. outclassed Rocky Campbell, Leicester, 184, and the referee stopped the bout in the second. Johnny Patrick, Plaistow, 136, outpointed Lloyd Wallace, Jamaica, 137, in six.

Two fighters who heard their last call, Jack Stanley of Deptford. was the first opponent of Primo Carnera in England, around 1929 . . . Johnny Bee, Birkenhead, was a usefull middleweight around 1928, and fought Ted Kid Lewis. "Rest In Peace".

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London. Monty Laud, St. Ives, 117, Southern Area Bantamweight Champion, had to fight hard in the second half of their scheduled eight to gain a narrow points win over Carl Taylor, Richmond, 116¾, Jimmy Anderson, Waltham Cross, 130, stopped Terry Halpin, Wombwell, 127, in the fourth, when the latter called it a day at the end of the round.

Ron Smith, Liverpool, 135, outpointed Manley Brown, Bournemouth, 137½, in a hard fought six. Brian Gullever, Dagenham, 129, and Billy Colvin, Belfast. 121. fought a draw in six.

SHOREDITCH — Frankie Taylor, Lancaster, 127½, did not have a tiger in the tank when he faced Carlos Cruz, Dominican Republic, 129¼, and was forced to take a beating. Cruz took the play away from Taylor from the start, outboxing-outfighting—in fact was away ahead in all but two of the scheduled ten.

Jimmy Mitchell, Wandsworth, 138, and Micky Laud, St. Ives, 139, drew in eight after a very hard fought battle. Harry Pickard, Battersea. 127½, outpunched Bobby Davies, West Ham, 127, to such an extent, that the referee had to put a closure to the bout in the seventh to save Davies from further punishment.

Peter Campbell, Hoxton. 136, outpointed Vic Chandler. Bermondsey. 135½, in six. Pat Walsh, Shepherds Bush, 150½, outpointed Embrosie Ellick, West Ham, 147, in six. Johnny Patrick, Plaistow, 136½, outpointed Johnny Wakefield, Hackney, 139½, in six.

BOXING IN COLOMBIA
By Oscar Vergara Ramos

Barranquilla—In the Coliseum, Humberto Perea, of this city, Pedro Miranda, 152, of Cuba, defeated Jose A. Burgos, 152, Champion of Venezuela, in the tenth round.

Heliodoro Pitalúa, 118, won by a knock out in the third round over Miguel Vergara, 119.

Orlando Pineda, 132, knocked out Felipe Diaz, 132, in the fourth.

José Román, 130, knocked out, Ramón Cárdenas, 130, in the first, and Jesús Urrtia, 131, defeated José Torres, 130, by decision, in the fourth round.

BUCARAMANGA—The Colombian Rafael Luna, 133, drew in ten with Luis Ascary Lucero of Panama, 130.

CARTAGENA—Bernardo Caraballo, 122, won by a knockout in the first round over Killer Salomon, 124, of Jamaica.

Heliodoro Pitalúa, 114, knocked out José Lizardo of Venezuela, 115, in the fifth round

Justo Valdes, 112, won by T.K.O., in the fourth round over Fernando Ramirez of Venezuela, 114, and Alfonso Valiente, 120, knocked out, Eligio Sánchez of Venezuela, 112, in one.

BARRANQUILLA—Cipriano "Barbulito" Zuluaga, 124, defeated Victor Cano, 124, in the tenth round.

Rodrigo Valdes, 142, knocked out Elia Hidalgo, of Venezuela, 140, in the sixth round.

Enrique Higgins, 134, won by a knockout over Miltton Mendez, 136, in the fifth. Mingumillo Muñoz, 136, knocked out Felipe Diaz, 133, in the first round.

BRITISH SETTLE WAR
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major attention to professional boxing, and not the amateur field.

"3—There must be no lobbying between members when nominating a challenger for a title. This will not be tolerated.

"4—The B.B.B. of C. is to have the same percentage of voting power as existed prior to the break.

"5—A British representative is to be elected as a vice-chairman of the E.B.U.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

Recent results include: Rogelio Fernandez, 126, outpointed Jose Moreno, 125, in 10. Silverio "Chamaco" Hernandez, 125, stopped Ray Vega, 126, in 3. Rogelio Rea, 118, outpointed Alfonso Izquierdo, 119, in 8.

Mario Estrella, 126, and Bernardo Hernandez, 126, drew in 6. Jeronimo Ortiz, 112, outpointed Isidro Enciso, 113, in 4.

Gil Noriega, 125, stopped Manuel Galvez, 125, in 5. Felix Hernandez, 125, outpointed Pajarito Corona, 124, in 8. Hector Vazquez, 125, stopped Daniel Garcia, 119, in 3.

Rodolfo Aguilar, 117, stopped Alfonso Alvarez, 118, in 3. Luis Perez, 125, outpointed Jose "Chamaco" Garcia, 124, in 4.

Raul Rodriguez, 135, stopped Lalo Moreno, 135, in 8. Alfredo Meneses, 118, outpointed Cristobal Trejo, 118, in 10. Jorge Jiminez, 139, stopped Porfirio Buendia, 135, in 5.

Sixto Martinez, 125, stopped Cele Chavez, 125, in 5. Marcelino Luna, 112, decisioned Armando Navarro, 109, in 4.

Jose Gonzalez, 119, outpointed Goyo Sanchez, 120, in 10. Lupe Mendez, 118, stopped Andres Molina, 118, in 6. Manuel Segura, 120, decisioned Alfonso Batalla, 118, in 6.

Erubiel Montiel, 119, stopped Carlos Segura, 119, in 3.

Luis "Zorrita" Gonzalez, 113, outpointed Felipe Gonzalez, 114, in 10. Ramiro Garcia, 110, stopped Gallito Camacho, 112, in 3. Manuel Andrade 136, stopped Joaquin Velazquez, 133, in 2.

Chucho Lopez, 131, stopped Agustin Chavez, 133, in 5. Carlos Garcia, 125, outpointed Tono Carrillo, 124, in 4.

Jorge "Chango" Villanueva, 126, outpointed Hipolito Hernandez, 125, in 10. Alfonso Cazares, 113, and Andres "Chema" Espinosa, 112, were sent to the showers in the seventh round with a no contest decision.

Carlos Cevallos, 118, decisioned Florentino Arriaga, 118, in 6. Eladio Elvira, 124, outpointed Nacho Dominguez, 126, in 6. M. Luis Perez, 125, stopped Hipolito Mejia, 126, in 4.

Babe Luis, 127, from Cuba, outpointed Jose Jimenez, 126, in 10. Grillo Duran, 128, outpointed Roberto Torres, 125, in 10. Goyo Alfaro, 110, stopped Gonzalo Vargas, 112, in 5.

Jesus Gonzalez, 135, stopped Joaquin Mendez, 132, in 3. Roberto Rodriquez, 134, stopped Demetrio Ramirez, 139, in 2.

Fillo Morales, 110, stopped Gabi Beltran, 111, in 3. Manuel Ramirez, 115, stopped Juan Cruz, 111, in 4. Martin Lopez, 115, stopped Felipe Belman, 118, in 3.

Rogelio Mendoza, 109, stopped Anselmo Teutle, 112, in 2. Meliton Lopez, 135, stopped Chico Lopez, 135, in 1.

IN SOUTH AFRICA
By Monty Sacho

In one of the most exciting bouts ever to take place in this country, Willie Ludick top-ranked welterweight and South African champion, knocked out Fraser Toweel, youngest of the famous "fighting Toweels", in the twelfth round of their title fight.

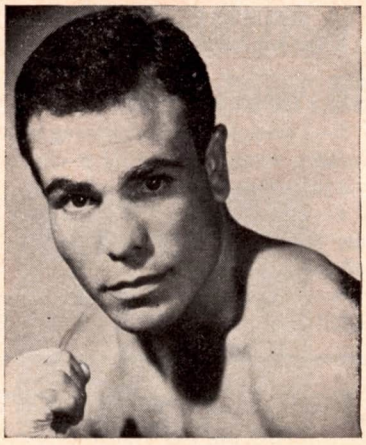
Until the dramatic knock-out, Toweel was well ahead on points. But, the champion, sensing defeat, unleashed a fiery attack in the last two rounds. His "killer" left-hook found its mark and Toweel took the full count after 16 seconds of the last stanza.

Josh Clements 185, beat Don Louw, 200 by a T.K.O. in the 3rd round.

Patrick Toweel 138, beat Tony Wiese, 139, by a T.K.O. in 3. Toweel is a definite prospect with an all-action style.

Herbie Clark, 132, beat Eddie Lucick, 134, by a T.K.O. in the 3rd round.

Burruni Breezes Against Carbajal But Is Pressed By Stokes In Naples Bout



Salvatore Burruni, world flyweight champion, is keeping very busy in Italy. He outboxed Carbajal in Rome but American Stokes gave him trouble in Naples before bowing to Salvatore.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

By CHARLEY PARRISH

NAPLES, ITALY—Salvatore Burruni had a tough time gaining a decision over Jerry Stokes, an American feather. Stokes was fast and a hard hitter. He took a series from Burruni in the sixth but came straight in again. The World Flyweight Champion, with the Carbajal fight still in his bones, finished the bout exhausted and bleeding badly from a gashed chin.

Mario Lamagna obliged Ghilarducci to retire in the second round of their middles clash.

Pedro Carrasco, Brazilian feather ace, outfought Lat Shonibare, of Nigeria, who was sent to his corner in the fourth after two knockdowns.

Julio Rocha, Uruguayan welter, whipped Esposito over 8 rounds.

At Rome, Burruni rescued a tedious program with his brilliant performance against Demetrio Carbajal, an Argentinian flyweight. It was a non-title bout but hotly disputed. Carbajal put up plucky resistance until the fifth but was finally subdued by the Sardinian's masterly combination of footwork and punching ability. The referee stopped the bout in the seventh.

Sante Amonti, 194, defended his Italian title successfully against Giuseppe Migliari, 198, but it was a poor fight. Migliari damaged a hand and the doctor advised him to retire at the end of the ninth round.

Federico Scarponi, wily veteran, had his bantam title wrested from him by Tommaso Galli in a 12-round scrap. The Italians have acquired another star in their quest of titles. Galli's speed and effective punching have gained him a shot at the European title.

Domenico Tiberia, the welter champion, decisioned the light-welter ditto, Gianpaolo Gabanetti, in a robust and furiously-fought 8.

Remo Golfarini, welter prospect, floored Mohamed Djendoubi in the second round but the Algerian came back to slug, butt and maul his way to a disqualification in the seventh round.

Mario Lamagna, retaining his reputation as a middleweight puncher, received plenty of the same from Frenchman Marc Desfourneaux for three rounds. In the fourth Mario was counted for "8" against the ropes and again in the fifth, whereupon the referee sent him to his corner.

▸ **ALGHERO**—Sardinia which provides Italy with as many boxers as the Canary Isles do for Spain, kept the feathers title when Andreino Silanos won by disqualification from Mario Sitri. Sitri, who uses a sort of octopus style, butted open a bad cut across Silanos' forehead and the bout was stopped in the eighth round. Silanos was leading at the time. He seemed to be getting the measure of his opponent.

Franco Zurlo, bantam prospect, stopped Cataldo Jacca in two rounds but Giovanni Girgenti, another Olympic star, was given stiffer opposition by Renato Galli. Girgenti won the first four rounds but the former feather contender came back strong to gain a draw over 8 rounds.

▸ **VERONA**—Giulio Garziani, local welter, won a gory ten-rounder against the tough Moroccan Abder Faradji, both fighters finishing badly cut about the face. Luigi Ferraro won a feathers 8 from Spaniard Serafin Cardos.

▸ **MESTRE**—In the absence of De Piccoli, Armando Pellarin is the main attraction at Mestre. The welter discovery found it hard going against tough Tullio Zanirato and could defeat his fellow-southpaw only on points in 10 rounds.

Middles prospect Enrico Simoni stopped Teodoro Di Palmo in four, with cut eyes.

▸ **SANSEPOLCRO**--Heavyweight Pietro Besi, pride of the mountains, outfought Henri Ferjules, from Martinique, over six rounds.

▸ **SENIGALLIA**—Massimo Consolati decisioned Bruno Orsi in a fast welter 8, Carmelo Coscia—despite a badly damaged eye—won from Felice Becco in a feathers 8 and Torbidoni drew with Rosa in a lightweight six.

▸ **FORLI**—Tristano Tramonti lost to Roberto Alpi in a good welter 8 and Romani, local bantam, forced Pilotti to retire in the third.

At **PIANCASTAGNAIO,** Franco Innocenti made it six in a row by beating Roberto Calandro in a bantam six.

▸ **PESARO**—Giuseppe Linzalone, lacking his old snap and fire, made an easy target for Sandro Schiavetta, who forced the local feather to retire in the ninth round.

Recent recruits kept some life in the program, however. Bruno Melissano clearly outscoring Cosimo Lacerignola in a fast lightweight 6 and Maragliulo, unexpectedly floored by Carlo Pini at the start of their feathers fray but recovered to outpoint the visitor.

▸ **PORTO TORRES**—Gianni Capasso, still undefeated in Italy, won without discussion over Jorge Fiordelmondo in a middles 8.

At **PIACENZA,** Benito Penna made a quiet return to action, boxing a draw with Eduardo Corletti in a heavyweight 10. Corletti got the press verdict. Salami won from Scatolini in a lightie six.

▸ **CIVITANOVA MARCHE**—Torbidoni won from Fusconi in a good light-welter six, while at **MODENA,** Guarnieri decisioned De Pace in a lightie six.

▸ **VERONA**—Light-welter champion Sandro Lopopulo had no difficulty in outscoring the light hitting Brazilian Antonio De Jesus over 10 rounds.

▸ **GROSSETO**—Local cruiser hope Giannini won a close nod from Vittorio Gobbo at the Palazzetto and Dino Fontana, feathers prospect, won from Rizzi over 6 rounds.

▸ **LA SPEZIA**—Tony Sassarini scored his 13th straight win by outpointing Antonio Satta in a hard-fought bantam 8.

FRANCE

▸ **LILLE**—In the bout between René Libéer and Switzerland's Paul Chervet. Chervet put up a game fight against a more experienced opponent and shipped a great deal of punishment.

Among the injuries collected by Chervet were a damaged nose and a cut over each eye. Libéer dominated in almost every round. His best efforts came in the third and tenth. Finally Chervet's corner slung in the towel one minute before the end of the 15th.

Jean-Claude Corroyez decisioned Salah Laroussi in a lightweight 8 and Jean-Claude Delgove drew with the Belgian light-welter, Jacky Sylveer, over 8.

▸ **MARSEILLES**—Pascal di Benedetto, unbeaten in 16 starts, confirmed his place in the rankings by outpointing the Belgian champion, Emile Saerens, over 10 rounds.

▸ **DAKAR,** Senegal— Michel Diouf returned to the land of his ancestors for several bouts but was defeated in his first showing by Daniel Leuillier, tough Parisian, in a hard middles ten.

▸ **TOULOUSE**—Jo Gonzales, light-middles ace, made short work of the once formidable Joaquin Riquelme. Gonzales rattled the Spaniard straight off with a hard left hook and a series of lightning hooks sent Riquelme crashing to the boards for the full count.

Paul Cosentino, another former amateur star, met with his first pro defeat when he was outscored by useful Jacques Cancellary in a light-welter six. Robert Gourguet, a comparative beginner, was stacked against Ray Adigun and lasted until the seventh round before the ref stopped the bout.

▸ **PARIS**—André Legrand kept his record intact but was obliged to share honors with rugged Roger Keromnes in a welter 8. Only by dint of a final effort was Legrand able to even the score with the Breton. Mohamed Bensaid won from Jean Claude Labreuille in a lightwelter 8.

▸ **BORDEAUX**—Marcel Cerdan attracted only 2000 customers. He was matched with Pedro Gomez Acebo, a second series Spaniard who cut Cerdan's left eye in the second round but was then bombarded with series of punches. Cerdan got careless in the fifth and a looping right brought him to order, winning over 8 rounds.

Paul Rourre won from Paco Torrecillas, a feather from Marseilles, and Antoine Saez edged out Pierre Perrot in a middles six.

▸ **ST. DIZIER**—Jean Dantas and Roger Prigent, battling for rival placings on the lightweight ladder, boxed a 10-round draw.

▸ **MARSEILLES**—Souleymane Diallo, French middleweight champion, defended his title successfully at the Salle Vallier before 2500 fans, knocking out Jean Beltritti in three rounds.

In the third, the local was decked twice by left hooks and finally took another trip to the canvas and failed to beat the count.

▸ **BLOIS**—Marcel Cerdan didn't attract many spectators for his bout with Jean-Claude Lepolard. Blois traditionally features lightheavies as the main attraction. Cerdan was suffering from a temperature and tried for a quick finish. He floored Lepolard twice in the first round. But Jean-Claude stuck to his guns and got up again from a knockdown in the third round, to last the limit. He was a points loser. Joseph Peig, local flyweight, won from Pierre Duez over 8 rounds.

GERMANY

▸ **KIEL**—The vacant feathers title was disputed by bantam champion Klaus Jaeger, 125, and Lothar Abend, 125, local prospect.

Abend floored his man twice in the seventh and again in the eighth. Jaeger, despite a further knockdown in the tenth, finished the fight strongly. Abend won after 12 rounds.

Another win for the locals was achieved by Klaus Stockmann, 165, who unexpectedly forced Heini Freytag to surrender in the fourth round. Freytag, floored for "9" in the second and saved only by the gong, claimed a damaged hand.

Harry Kneipp, 176, stopped Georg Redis in four and Peter Weiland, 235, forced Manfred Schlesinger, 201, to retire in the fourth.

Dieter Penner, 139, debuted by drawing with Franco Stompinato over 4 rounds and Joachim Trautwein, 159, was defeated by Hansdieter Schwartz over 4. Promoter, Wittenbring, attendance 4,000.

▸ **BERLIN**—At the Neuen Welt, Manfred Lessmann, 150, scored a lucky victory over champion Klaus Klein, who was ordered out of action at the end of the seventh due to badly cut eye.

Lessmann, a last-moment substitute, was floored in the third but kept forging in, often with the head and there were several clashes.

Gerhard Piaskowy, 159, found debutant Hans Michel, 162, a difficult foeman and his points win after 4 rounds found scarce approval.

Klaus Winkler, 165, outscored Peter Donner over 6 rounds, Wolfgang Fritsche, 143, drew with Werner Hallmann in 6 and Rainer Mueller, 154, knocked out Werner Rudolph in less than a round.

The former amateur star, Manfred Markgraf, 231, won clearly from Manfred Ackers, 209, over 4 rounds. Attendance, 1800, promoter Pfeifer.

▸ **FRANKFURT**—Manager Petrescu put on his third card at the Sport-school, five floors up. Walter Drews, 147, won from Vukassin Glavinic over 4 rounds, Volker Penner, 138, drew with Mario Bazu of Italy in 4 and Helmut Slomke, 153, drew with Hans Hartig, 168, also in 4.

SPAIN

▸ **BILBAO**—Angel Neches, undefeated in a score of contests, ascended to the lightweight throne by forcing champion Juan Rodriguez to retire in the ninth round. Rodriguez took a shellacking in the fifth and bled from the nose. The champion, a veteran of 32, took a count in the seventh and after another knockdown in the ninth he retired.

Luis Folledo tangled with an unknown Nigerian named Jack Taruk. Folledo, 167, was a class better than Taruk, 160, a punchbag for the Spaniard and his corner wisely slung in the towel during third after Taruk had taken a count and lost two teeth.

Tony Falcon, local light-welter hero, won from Ignacio Romero after 8 gruelling rounds and El Kirvi decisioned Joe Fernandez in a feathers six.

▸ **GIJON**—Antonio Aragon won an unpopular decision over Joaquin Martin in a lightweight 8 and Ventura Mesa scored a good points win over Ricardo Navarro, lightweights.

▸ **SANTA CRUZ**—Juna (Sombrita) Albornoz completely outfought the Basque light-welter, José Madrazo, in a non-title bout. Madrazo took a count in the last round.

▸ **BARCELONA**—The Moroccan bantam, Dris ben Amar, caused a minor sensation by knocking out Angel Rodriguez in two rounds. Marcial Urrea won from Francisco Maldonado in a feathers six.

▸ **SABADELL**—Manuel Vilches won from José Forbe in a feathers 8.

▸ **VALENCIA**—Those old rivals with the same-sounding names, Ben Ali of Morocco and Benny Lee of Ghana, met up for the third time at the Plaza de Toros. At 119, Ben Ali was two pounds the heavier and again proved himself master of the Ghanaian by completely outboxing Lee in every round to win over 10 heats.

Fernando Riera lost out in a confused 8-rounder to the Italian, Vincenzo Pitardi and Luis Rodriguez drew with Angel Chinea, the Canaries bantam champion, over 8. Martinez won from Tari in a welter six.

▸ **MALAGA**—Pedro Marcos of Madrid won from the Moroccan lightweight, Kid Koleta, over 8 rounds.

▸ **BIBBIENA**—Piero Brandi returned to action with a quick victory over the Belgian champion, Roger Verhelst. A tremendous uppercut landed in Verhelst's midriff and he doubled up to pitch over for the count. He went to the hospital with a broken rib.

SCANDINAVIA

▸ **COPENHAGEN**—Love Allotey, the popular Ghanaian, and Don Johnson of America, both scaling 125, disputed a speedy and technical 12-rounder claimed as an eliminator for the World Title. Allotey got the decision.

Bob Allotey, 116, won without trouble over the Finn, Risto Luukkonen, in 8 rounds.

Boerge Krogh, 136, made an excellent impression in his first 8-rounder, defeating the German champion, Karl Furcht, on points. Furcht suffered an injury to his ribs in the fourth and had to take a count in the sixth.

Tom Bogs, 160, won a close bout from Marcel Pinault of France in 6, Erik Joergensen, 158, was surprisingly knocked out in the fifth by Michel Lenain. Preben Rasmussen, 140, who gained a silver medal at the recent Berlin amateur championships, debuted by winning over Roger Malezieux in 4 rounds.

▸ **OSLO**—A successful program was staged at the Jordal Ice Stadium where Ray Patterson, 187, topped the card against the young German prospect, Juergen Blin, 185. The blond Teuton fought pluckily but could not match Patterson's experience and was clearly outpointed over 6 rounds.

Bjarne Lingaas, 194, who once (in 1950) defeated Ingemar Johansson during their amateur days, returned to action with a knockout over Joe Palooka, 191, of Nigeria in the second round.

Johnny Romsaas, 161, engaged in a slam-bang scrap with Hans Meller, 158, of Germany. Meller downed Romsaas in the opening round, for "8", but the Norseman came back strongly to knock out his opponent in the second.

Roy Askvold, 165, decisioned the Dutch colonial, Roland Riedewald, over 8 rounds and veteran Anders Haga, 121, met Gerd Berkhout of Holland for the third time and scored a points win over 6 rounds.

The program, promoted by Leif Hansen and Eddie Ahlqvist, drew a record 10,000 gate.

AUSTRIA

▸ **VIENNA**—A start at small-time promoting was successful at the open-air Maerzing, with Hugo Koehler, 161, topping the bill against Gino Vantaggioli of Italy. Koehler, who recently floored Joe Gonzales, knocked out Vantaggioli in the third round. Karl Illy, 154, stopped Emilio Rota in the fourth and Artur Zemla, 147, also halted Issa Bachir of Jordania in four.

Carl Roy, 144, won from Giuseppe Bottarelli over six rounds, both boxers were counted during the fifth.

Vid Stilija, 160, an exiled Yugoslav who held the Austrian amateur title, made an impressive debut by belting out Rainer Klessinger, 156, with two punches, both left hooks.

Promoters were former champions Filip and Walter. Attendance, 1500.

LUXEMBOURG — Bruno Visintin, 32-year old European light-middles champion, defended his title successfully against the local idol, Ray Philippe, before a full house of 3,000. Philippe had lost two important bouts recently, against Christensen and Hoegberg, and beyond Luxembourg, wasn't considered a worthy challenger.

But he proved his critics wrong by giving the champion the hardest of fights, but Visintin was more experienced in riding punches and in making Philippe miss by a fraction.

The Luxembourger came in with furious attacks, round after round, but was outsmarted by the cool generalship of Visintin. A cut left eye hindered Philippe from the twelfth, but he finished the bout still fresh.

Visintin won without dispute. Carlos Vanneste, Belgian middle, decisioned Carlo Clementi of Italy over 8 rounds.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(UP TO AUGUST 20, 1965)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Karl Mildenberger (G)
2. Gerhard Zech (G)
3. Sante Amonti (I)
4. Piero Tomasoni (I)
5. Franco De Piccoli (I)
6. Benito Penna (I)
7. Albert Westphal (G)
8. Giuseppe Migliari (I)
9. Lennart Risberg (SW)
10. Giorgio Masteghin (I)

LIGHTHEAVIES
1. Giulio Rinaldi (I)
2. Wilhelm v. Homburg (G)
3. Peter Gumpert (G)
4. Benito Michelon (F)
5. Piero del Papa (I)
6. Paul Roux (F)
7. Pekka Kokkonen (FN)
8. Baas Duivenbode (H)
9. Yvan Prebeg (Y)
10. Guy Mastil (F)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Nino Benvenuti (I)
2. Luis Folledo (S)
3. Bo Hoegberg (SW)
4. Souleymane Diallo (F)
5. Jupp Elze (G)
6. Sugar Nando (H)
7. Joseph Gonzales (F)
8. Bruno Santini (I)
9. Pascal di Benedetto (F)
10. Emile Saerens (B)

LIGHT MIDDLES
1. Sandro Mazzinghi (I)
2. Bruno Visintin (I)
3. Yoland Leveque (F)
4. Jean Josselin (F)
5. Peter Mueller (G)
6. Cesareo Barrera (S)
7. Ray Philippe (L)
8. Gianpaolo Gabanetti (I)
9. Werner Mundt (G)
10. Willi Niederau (G)

WELTERS
1. Fortunato Manca (I)
2. Domenico Tiberia (I)
3. Carmelo Bossi (I)
4. Francois Pavilli (F)
5. Luciano Piazza (I)
6. Carmelo Garcia (S)
7. Alfredo Parmeggiani (I)
8. Armando Pellarin (I)
9. Peter Michalski (G)
10. Mauri Backman (FN)

LIGHT WELTERS
1. Olli Maeki (FN)
2. Willi Quatuor (G)
3. Conny Rudhof (G)
4. Juan Albornoz (S)
5. Sandro Lopopulo (I)
6. Piero Brandi (I)
7. Aissa Hashas (F)
8. Daniel Deneux (F)
9. Efrem Donati (I)
10. Giordano Campari (I)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Franco Brondi (I)
2. Léon Zadourian (F)
3. Maurice Tavant (F)
4. Aldo Pravisani (I)
5. Kid Tano (S)
6. Jarmo Bergloef (FN)
7. Boerge Krogh (D)
8. Karl Furcht (G)
9. Pedro Carrasco (S)
10. Angel Neches (S)

FEATHERS
1. Yves Desmarets (F)
2. Andreino Silanos (I)
3. Carmelo Coscia (I)
4. Lino Mastellaro (I)
5. Sandro Schiavetta (I)
6. Jesus Zarco (S)
7. Alberto Serti (I)
8. Mario Sitri (I)
9. Michel Atlan (F)
10. Lothar Abend (G)

BANTAMS
1. Mimoun ben Ali (S)
2. Tommaso Galli (I)
3. Risto Luukkonen (FN)
4. Pierre Vetroff (F)
5. Jean Parra (F)
6. Federico Scarponi (I)
7. José Arranz (S)
8. Nevio Carbi (I)
9. Antoine Porcel (F)
10. Kamara Diop (F)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. Salvatore Burruni (I)
2. René Libeer (F)
3. Paul Chervet (SD)
4. Giuseppe Cali (I)
5. Joseph Horny (B)
6. Fritz Chervet (SD)
7. Fabian Bellanco (S)
8. Luis Rodriguez (S)
9. Martin Barba (S)
10. Etienne Gimenez (F)

LEGEND: Belgium B; Denmark D; France F; Finland FN; Germany G; Holland H; Italy I; Luxembourg L; Spain S; Sweden SW; Switzerland SD; Yugoslavia Y.

BOXING IN JAPAN

By Joe Y. Koizumi

Paul Takeshi Fuji, 139¼, knocked out Nakao Sasazaki, 140, in only 45 seconds of the first round to win Japan's junior-welterweight championship at Korakuen Hall in Tokyo.

It was the shortest time ever scored in Japan's title matches.

Fuji, Japanese American, was born in Hawaii. He fought as an amateur in America and turned pro in Japan.

▸ Kazuyoshi Kubokura, 143¼, kayoed Brazilian Jorge Sacoman, 145¼, in the eighth round at Korakuen Hall. Southpaw Kubokura caught the Brazilian with short hooks to the body, and floored him twice before finishing him in round eight.

▸ Makoto Watanabe, 146¾, Oriental title-holder, decisioned Sakuji Shinozawa, 146¾, to recapture Japan's welterweight crown at Korakuen Hall in 10.

▸ Takeshi Nakamura, 112 and Ric Magramo 111, 1-2, fought for the Oriental flyweight title in the Korakuen Hall and the Japanese, Nakamura, was awarded a split decision after 12 rounds of exciting fighting, Nakamura was the aggressor and landed the best punches.

▸ Tatsuya Takami, 123½, won over Kunio Sakata, 125, by a close 10 round decision at Korakuen Hall.

▸ Rokuro Ishiyama, 122, defeated South Korean Lee Dong-Chun, 122, in 12 rounds to retain his crown at Korakuen Hall.

Counter attacker Lee showed his best in the seventh round. The Korean hit a series of hooks to 19 year old champ's jaw, and floored him for a count of "8". The majority decision was given to the Japanese.

▸ Hiroshi Kobayashi, 129½, outpointed South Korean Lim Chong-Tai, 131, at Korakuen Hall in a 10 round non-title bout.

▸ At Okayama Prefectural Gymnasium Oriental junior middleweight titleholder Shigemasa Kawakami, 155¼, halted Hiromitsu Fujita, 155½, in the seventh round of a non-title fight.

From first to third round both fighters boxed evenly. In round four Fujita landed his right counter straight to Kawakami's jaw and floored the champ. Next round Kawakami, a southpaw slugger, forced his opponent to the ropes landing left uppercuts to the body.

▸ The Referee halted this bout in the eighth. Same night at Korakuen Hall in Tokyo, Japan's flyweight king, Akashi Namekawa, 112¾, defeated South Korean Oh Woon-Mok, 112½, in 10 rounds. He won easily.

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▸ At Korakuen Hall Katsutoshi Aoki, 117½, won a 12 round decision over South Korean Kim Hyon, 117½, to retain his Oriental bantamweight crown. Aoki kept his belt for the second time since he had recaptured the title from Filipino, Curlev Aguirre.

▸ Hiroyuki Ebihara, 115, won a close 10 round decision over Yoshio Nakane, 118, at Korakuen Hall. It was Ebihara's first bout since he had kayoed Alacran Torres of Mexico in Los Angeles, May 7. Ebihara, a southpaw, with boxing abilities, had a close contest.

Bantamweight Nakane did his best in the fourth round.

Referee Toyama scored it 49-47, Judge Ugo 50-46, and Judge Tezaki 49-48; all for Ebihara.

WILL RING $ STILL LURE WILT FROM BASKETBALL?

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Chamberlain would, in all likelihood, like to take it easy. After all, he owns an apartment house in Los Angeles, another in New York, and two more houses in Philadelphia. The Big Dipper also has interests in three trotting horses and owns a Harlem nightclub. In other words, he's loaded. But, the prospect of aiming for the heavyweight championship is a lure that whets all appetites, rich or poor.

Wilt is the greatest scorer in basketball annals. He's the holder of every major NBA scoring record. Last season saw him tally 2,534 points, an average of 34.7 per game. His field goal percentage was a league-leading .510. He scored 63 points in a game against the 76ers, while still a member of the Warriors, on November 26, 1964.

By virtue of his tremendous point-pouring ability, Chamberlain now stands third among all-time NBA scorers with 18,837. Bob Pettit ranks first with 20,880 and Dolph Schayes second with 19,249. However, Pettit has been around for 11 seasons and Schayes tallied his total in 16 campaigns. Wilt has done it in only six seasons.

There's not much question that Chamberlain will easily surpass Pettit and Schayes should he decide to remain a hoopster instead of a boxer.

While the scoring records held by Wilt would fill a book, let it be noted that he still holds the record 100 for most points tallied in a single game. He is the only man ever to score more than 3,000 points in a season, having accomplished that fabulous feat three times. Wilt even went over 4,000 in one campaign.

The 250-pound bachelor would not be the first outsize boxer to try to rule the heavyweight ranks.

As most everyone knows, Primo Carnera and Jess Willard were king-size champions. Carnera stood 6-5¾ and weighed 267 pounds, with a reach of 85½ inches. Willard, the Pottowatomie Cowboy, was 6-6¼ and scaled 252 pounds during his heydays. Jess's reach was 83 inches.

Chamberlain, at 7-1 1/16 inches and approximately 250 pounds, has a reach of 101 inches!

There have been other seven-footers who attempted a career in the ring—Gil Anderson (7-0, 250 lbs,); Henry Johnson (7-2, 265 lbs.); Milo Maligoli (7-0, 270 lbs.); Big Ben Moroz (7-1, 302 lbs.); Jim Cully (7-4, 275 lbs.); and Ewart Potgieter (7-2, 326 lbs.). None of them, to put it mildly, was a roaring success.

In fact, about the only fellows in the super dreadnaught class who did reach the upper echelons were Buddy Baer (6-6½, 245 lbs.); Vittorio Campolo (6-6½, 225 lbs.); Fred Fulton (6-5½, 227 lbs.); Ray Impellittiere (6-7½, 270 lbs.) and Ernie Terrell (6-6, 191 lbs.).

Among other outsized heavyweights listed are Valentin Campolo, Charles Freeman, Big Boy Peterson, Duke Sabedong, James J. Beattie, Jose Santa, Gilbert Stromquist, Clayton Worlds and Bearcat Wright.

Boxing history tells us that Wilt the Stilt has extremely few predecessors when it comes to those who have successfully switched to boxing from another sport.

Bob Pastor and Steve Hamas were footballers at NYU and Penn State, respectively, before going on to heavyweight contention. Tom McNeeley was an All-America high school gridder who won a football scholarship to Michigan State.

Jack Munroe, who was knocked out by Jim Jeffries in the latter's last title bout before he relinquished his crown in 1905, due to lack of opposition, had been a pro football player of sorts, operating for Marcus Daley's independent team in Butte, Montana.

Charley Powell mixed heavyweight boxing with a career as a San Francisco 49er end, while George Trafton, famed Chicago Bears' center of the 1920s, fought Carnera during Primo's cross-country tour in 1930.

Major league baseball players Art Shires and Al Spohrer, then of the Chicago White Sox and Boston Braves, respectively, engaged in a bout in 1930 with Shires scoring a fourth round knockout. But when Shires attempted to continue his ring career, Judge Landis, Baseball's first czar, halted matters.

Big league umpires Babe Pinelli, Lou Kolls and George Magerkurth all had pro ring experience.

Among the heavyweight kings whose careers encompassed other sports were John L. Sullivan, who could have played major league ball in the old days had he so desired; Jim Corbett, whose tie-in with baseball was his brother Joe, a star hurler for the famed Baltimore Orioles of the Gay Nineties; and Joe Louis, who was a pretty fair ballplayer and wished from boyhood days that he could catch for the Detroit Tigers.

Rocky Marciano tried out with the Chicago Cubs and might have made good as a catcher but for injuring his throwing arm.

All of which brings us back to Wilt Chamberlain and boxing. Wouldn't it be a sight for sore eyes to see stringbeanish Wilt the Stilt enter the ring at 7-1, 250 pounds against Roly-Poly Buster Mathis, also a pro tyro, at 6-3, 300 pounds? . . . .

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FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

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Cal. have been advanced one peg to sixth, seventh and eighth, respectively.

Terronez has been eliminated from the welter listing, to make way for Eddie Pace, victor over Jose Stable in Honolulu in 10 rounds. Stable dropped from fifth to seventh.

Other changes in that class brought Curtis Cokes of Dallas, Texas, up from sixth to fifth and Fortunata Manca of Italy up from seventh to sixth.

Luis Rodriguez, of Miami, continued to strengthen his hold on the leading contender's post in the welter class by stopping Memo Ayon, of Mexico, and defeating Jose Assumpcato.

The Junior Welters have developed several shifts. Paul Fujii, of Honolulu, has advanced from tenth to seventh; Olli Maki of Finland has dropped from ninth to tenth; Louis Molina, of San Jose, has fallen from seventh to eighth, and Tito Marshall, of Panama, and Pierro Brandi, of Italy have exchanged positions, to fifth and sixth, respectively.

Eddie Perkins of Chicago, Illinois and Jose Napoles of Mexico, have exchanged posts, the Mexican now the top contender and Perkins behind him.

Johnny De Pieza, of Trinidad, B.W.I., has been dropped out of the listing.

Abel Laudonia, of Argentina, has replaced inactive Kenny Lane in the lightweight class, we find several shifts in the lower portion. Ray Adigun, of Nigeria, has been dropped one, to eighth, replaced by Danny Valdez, of Los Angeles.

Richard Sue, of Portland, Oregon, and Kid Tano of Spain, have exchanged positions, in the ninth and tenth slots.

Another veteran, feather, Rafiu King, of Nigeria, is out of the top ten to make room for Hiroshi Koboyoshi, of Japan.

Richard Moreno of Mexico advanced in that division to ninth from tenth.

Risto Luukkonen, of Finland, long in the ratings, has lost his place among the bantams. Alex Benetiz, of Mexico, has replaced him. Bob Allotey of Ghana, hitherto ranked among the flyweights, is now entered as a bantam and has taken the place of Katsuo Saito, of Japan, who has been eliminated.

Although Raton Mojica of Nicaragua was barely defeated in a 12 round bout in Australia by Rocky Gattellari, he remains in the tenth post among the flyweights, due to the shift of Allotey to the bantam division.

Puntip Keosuriya, of Thailand, the new Orient champion, victor over Takeshi Nakamura of Japan in a title bout, has gained the top ten. He is ranked ninth. Gattellari has advanced from eighth to fifth. Mojica and he are to meet again, in Sydney.

BOXING IN PANAMA AND COLON

By Luis "Lucho" Craig

COLON ARENA . . . Ernesto Aguilar, 131½, ecked out a close but unanimous decision over visiting Jamaican Wesley "Hurricane" Hines, 133½ lbs. The action was fast but rough throughout. The ref deducted several points from the fighters.

In a supporting ten, Victor Hoyte, 117½, kayoed Carlos Cruz, 120. The boys slam banged for six rounds, but in the seventh the terrific pace took its toll.

Cruz, had suffered a badly gashed right eye, and the third man wisely called a halt.

"Peppermint" Frazer, 127, blackjacked Rocky Racero, 128, in 2:28 of round one.

In the curtain, Rodrigo Allen, 123, grabbed a split duke from Juan Gondola, 123.

Gross gate $1,632.00 . . . Promoter Luis Craig.

COLON ARENA . . . Adolfo Osses, 122½, gained a unanimous decision over Victor Hoyt, 119½.

The event scheduled for ten, was a nip-and-tuck affair.

"Peppermint" Frazer, 126½, kept up his sensational dynamiting of opponents, icing Daniel Hernandez, 126½, in round one. Watch this Frazer boy. He could soon be Panama's biggest gate attraction . . .

Basilio Williams, 130, kayoed Federico Bell, 128, in the second. Basilio, a semi-final vet, poured it on.

Felix Castillio, 118, looked good in taking a four round curtain sizzler from veteran Ernesto Reid, 120, a last minute substitute.

Gross gate $1,432.00. Promoter Luis Craig.

COLON ARENA: Camy Beto, 121 lbs., ex-bantam champ grabbed a split duke from hard luck Victor Hoyte, 119 lbs., in ten. A draw would have been a healthy and just decision, taking into consideration the fact that the action was fairly even all the way. Encarnacion Guerrero, 119 lbs., kayoed Jose Garcia, 118 lbs., in the third of a six round semi-final.

Guerrero opened a nasty gash over the left optic of Garcia, forcing the ref to call a halt. The fight was almost even up to then.

Salcador Camargo, 113 lbs., a last minute substitute fighting his first pro combat, kayoed Alfonso Blues, 109 lbs., in the second of a prelim four rounder.

On his recent visit to Panama, Nat Fleischer, The Ring editor and publisher, poses with Panama President Marco A. Robles (center) and Alfredo Aleman, general manager of the National Brewery (right). The belt shown was presented to lightweight titleholder Ismael Laguna. Similar belts are presented to every world champion.

Federico Bell, 127 lbs., and Mario Philips, 128 lbs., fought to a draw in the curtain four.

Gross gate $826.00. Promoter Luis Craig.

COLON ARENA: Ernesto Douglas 126 lbs., took a unanimous decision from substitute Encarnacion Guerrero, 118 lbs., in ten.

Juancho Ruiz, 129 lbs., chalked up his third consecutive victory by taking a unanimous decision from another substitute veteran Basilio Williams, 126 lbs., in the six round semi wind up.

Julio Davis, 115 lbs., a debutante, looked like a real pro and a promise in taking the likes of Manhattan Kid II, 113 lbs., via a unanimous decision in four.

Federico Bell, 127 lbs., garnered a split duke over Pedro Borbua, 125 lbs., in the curtain four.

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"I WILL KNOCK CLAY OUT"

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"But like I said. I got educated travelling around the world meeting writers and successful businessmen. Cus also forgot I was getting older. I told him many times I wanted to think and talk for myself. But he wouldn't listen to me. This caused arguments between us.

"These are only a couple of minor reasons why we broke up. The serious reasons you probably wouldn't believe if I told you.

"The reason I'm still fighting even though I have a lot of money is to try and outdo myself. There are plenty of successful businessmen who always keep trying to make another big score. They're never satisfied with what they have, or what they have done.

"Well, neither am I. I was the youngest man to win the heavyweight title. I am the only man ever to regain the title. Now, I want to win the title a third time.

"I'm going to knock out Clay and become champion. When I do that I'll be satisfied. When a man can outdo himself in his field he knows he must be the best. That's what I want to be. The best.

"I've read everything that Torres said about fighting me to get even for D'Amato. I hope Jose and Cus make a lot of money together. Jose is still young. And when you're young you say a lot of things you don't mean.

"Torres is a nice fellow. He's light heavyweight champion. That's an accomplishment. He should be a good champion. Jose is fast with his hands. But I think he was faster four or five years ago."

Floyd then walked to his plane with Hoppy bouncing along beside him. Watching Floyd and Hoppy I knew I was looking at a couple of God's creations devoted to each other.

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PACKEY O'GATTY'S CHIT-CHAT

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1904 vintage, Frankie Neil, 82 years young, was the guest of honor at the 10th annual dinner reunion of old timers at Floyd "Red" Taylor's home in Santa Clara, California. Neil sat between Guy Turpin and Capt. Bob Roper. They had some good fight stories on tap. Big Bob Roper put food on the plate of the polite little former champ, and served him like a father helping his little son, with everyone getting a kick out of that. Turpin, president of World Boxing Historians' Ass'n and Texas VBA Ring #1, San Antonio, presented Neil with the WBHA Hall of Fame Award. He was the seventh member elected into the Hall. Others are 1, O'Gatty. 2, Mickey Walker. 3, Tommy Loughran. 4, Henry Armstrong. 5, Georges Carpentier. 6, Lew Tendler and 7, Neil. Frankie was so happy, tears streamed down his cheeks. He hugged the Award all the way home.

Among the old timers present were—Young Corbett III, ex-world welterweight champ; Monk Fowler, Ruby Hirsch, "Moose" Taussig, Frank Tabor, Billy Mahoney, Al Emmick, California Joe Lynch, Jack Silver, Wildcat Nelson, Abe Abel, Ed Helzer, Bobby Andrews, Bill Freitas, Frankie Reagan, Ernie Gillot, Sammy Lee, Georgie Fuller and George McGuire. While the ceremony was in progress, Harry "Boxiana Review" Pegg and Joe Shannon, telephoned from Binghamton, N.Y., where they stayed over night where they had attended the Old Time Boxer's Ass'n affair the night before. They greeted Neil, Turpin and Taylor.

Frankie Neil was one of the greatest fighters pound-for-pound. Here are some of the great ones he held his own with: Abe Attell, for the world featherweight title; Harry Forbes, Ad Wolgast, Owen Moran, Joe Bowker, Harlem Tommy Murphy etc., Attell, Wolgast and Moran are in the Boxing Hall of Fame, housed in The Ring Museum, at 120 West 31st Street, in New York . . . Neil only weighed 115-pounds at ringside . . . The following day the old immortal "Little Champ" Abe Attell, the 4th living oldest world champion, from his apartment in Kips Bay section in New York, phoned Neil and congratulated his old opponent.

Gentleman Tony Galento, with his "New Youth" hairpiece, trim looking and a cigar in his mouth, as he was about to hail a taxi on "Thoid" Avenue at 55th Street, was stopped, and obligingly gave his autograph to two darlings of the P. J. Clarke's cafe society set . . . One of them said to Tony, "Mister Galento, why are you often referred to as a dirty fighter? You're so immaculate looking?" Tony with a big smile replied, "Lady, I can't either, as I take three baths a day!"

STEPIN FETCHIT, with Chicago model Sonji Maria Roi Clay, whom world heavyweight Champ Muhammad Ali (Cassius Clay) is paying $350 temporary ALI-MONEY per week and singer Billy Daniels, at Nathan's of Coney Islands new spot on 34th St., near 8th Avenue, eating their famous hot dogs . . . At the NVBA meeting in Newark, N.J., the reading of the treasury report by treasurer K.O. Al Frazee, was $695.13 in the bank account of the National Veteran Boxers' Ass'n in the Broad Street Trust Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Grim Reaper has claimed "The Fighting Dutchman" Harvey Thorpe at age 73, in St. Joseph, Mo. He fought Benny Leonard, Irish Patsy Cline, Lew Tendler, Charlie White, Bobby Waugh and Ever Hammer . . . Jack Singer, boss of Flame Steak Restaurants, and former manager of Jorge Fernandez and Oscar Bonavena, is considering an attractive offer to open a chain of these highly successful restaurants in London, England. Frankie "Jay" Jacobs, who manages the West 42nd Street branch for Singer, is handling the negotiations through his former world junior welterweight champ, Jack Kid Berg.

In the latest issue of "The Quarterly Boxing Report", pub.-editor, Leonard I. Labarre, Grand Rapids, Michigan, has as usual done a swell job . . . Cafe society's mid-town set have found a haven for a hide-a-way, at Sports Corner, 96th Street, corner 2nd Avenue. Who do you think owns it? None other than the clever Joey Archer, the contender for the world middleweight title!

Eugene Criqui, "The Wounded Wonder", ex-world featherweight champion, on Bastille Day, July 14, 1919, boxed George Mandot (VBA Ring #21), a fast 6-round exhibition for the Red Cross, admission free (just donations) before a crowd of 30,000, at Joinville Stadium, outside of Paris, France . . . World light-heavyweight champ, Jose Torres, was a proud fellow, as he marched up Fifth Avenue, leading the Puerto Rican Parade, as his countrymen cheered him madly . . . Three cheers for Bay Ridge's ex-welterweight, Spider Jack Lawson, as the "VBA FIGHTER OF THE MONTH!" Lawson has given 65 pints of blood to the Red Cross for hospitals, for children and adults free. He has rare type "O" negative minus blood, and is willing to help anyone that needs it . . . Despite rumors floating around Las Vegas, Nevada, that ex-world champ Billy Conn, is giving up his job as host at the Stardust Hotel. Conn, who is very popular there, has no intention of doing so . . . Rocky Graziano, took a stage dive in boxing with seven year old Peter Delehunt of Nutley, N.J., at Schaefer Pavilion, New York's Worlds Fair, as Johnny Addie counted him out . . . Aldo Spoldi, ex-lightweight contender, will soon start a group of veteran boxers clubs around the northern part of Italy, with the same by-laws as Rome's Unione Nazionale Veterani Sportive, Aldo wrote that in Milan alone, there are about 50 veteran boxers . . . Freddie Fiducia, president of VBA Ring #25 of U-E-M Counties, Newark, New Jersey, and his vice-president, the well-liked Willie LaMorte, informed us, that they definitely will not pay one dollar per capita-tax for each member to the NVBA, and are pulling out. Also, Ring #14 of Jersey City, its president Allie Todisco and officers Buckey Keyes and Tony Cal, feel the same way, and informed us of doing likewise.

The Fourth Installation Sunday dinner-dance, of Brooklyn's VBA #21, was held at St. Paul's Council, K of C in Brooklyn, N. Y. It was a nice afternoon affair. It opened with the Rev. Dr. John Wesley Swartout reading the Invocation prayer. Johnny Addie and Sam Taub, handled the "Mike" in grand style. The Dynamics Music makers kept the crowd in fine mood. President Paul Berlenbach, spoke on the welfare of the club, and was warmly received.

Among those that sang over the "mike" was Johnny Addie. Addie's gag about receiving a telegram explaining the sender could not be present but asking all to keep up the good work in fighting to keep boxing clean, signed "SONNY LISTON," was a classic . . . Chick McCormack, did a fine job with his songs, Joe Ryder's dulcet tones and golden voice held everyone spellbound when he recited "Casey at the Bat". Billy Metz's act of "The Drunk", very funny indeed. He should be on Johnny Carson's TV program or Ed Sullivan's. Johnny Gannon and his wife were also terrific with their songs-comedy act.

In the ringside pews of the cauliflower-champagne set were—Charlie Goldman, Ben Jeby, Jackie Snyder, Sonny Smith, Willie LaMorte, Babe Orlando, East Harlem's Willie Mack, Chuck Wepner, Bayonne's crack heavyweight and his dad, Charlie Wepner, who in his day was a tough heavy. Also we must not forget the tiresome work of Ring #21's fine officers in bringing this affair to a successful end, Philly Gillespie, Walter Unger, George Mandot, Joe Kane, Tommy Bianchi, Harry Murk and Al Letty.

After the shindig, Jimmy O'Connor and Ray Meyers, (both of New York VBA Ring #8) and their wives, Sam Taub and yours truly, went to the Hamilton House, in Fort Hamilton, and enjoyed a swell sea shore dinner, with Taub reminiscing about the days he did some broadcasts from there . . . Cav. Erminio Spalla, ex-heavyweight champion of Europe, postcards he is vacationing in Naples, Italy, and sends his best wishes to his old opponent Gene Tunney . . . Rodney Franklin,

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

Former welterweight kingpin Luis Rodriguez stopped Mexico's Memo Ayon in three rounds at the Olympic. Ayon was unable to answer the bell for the fourth round.

LINCOLN-DAVILA REMATCH A MUST

LOS ANGELES, CAL.—Amos (Big Train) Lincoln, favorite over Roberto Davila, of Peru, at 3-to-1—ran into unexpected opposition, but finally had his hand raised in the seventh round by Referee John Thomas, at the Olympic Auditorium. Lincoln, 208, Davila, 198.

Lincoln was Sonny Liston's sparring partner at Lewiston.

There was a roar of disapproval from the crowd, although all three of the officials were in agreement. Referee Thomas scored it 6-up for Lincoln, while Judges Lee Grossman and Joey Olmos agreed that Lincoln had a 5-point edge.

There were no knockdowns. The game Peruvian, who boasted a record of 17-3 as a pro, had the crowd with him. Lincoln's score: became 59-4-1. It is conceivable that Lincoln held the Peru heavyweight too lightly.

Referee Thomas said, "Davila could have been badly hurt if I hadn't stopped the fight. What was the sense in letting it go on? He hadn't a chance of winning. He was groggy, his eyes were glassy."

A rematch is a must. Both men need repairs.

In the semi-final, a six-rounder, Jerry Quarry, 189, decisioned Dave Centi, 216½. Lance Holmberg, 186, decisioned Henry Pouncy, 175, (5); and Don Koontz, 192½, knocked out Emil Umek, 198, in the fourth round.

▸ Baron von Stumme's heavyweight, Irish Wayne Heath of Oklahoma, won the 10 round decision over Lino Rendon on the weekly TV Olympic Club feature here. Irish Wayne was content to rely on a left jab against an opponent who weighed 204 to his 182. He opened a cut over Rendon's eye in the first round.

Referee Dick Young scored it 7 to 3 and judges Tommy Hart 6 to 4, and John Thomas, 7 to 1, to make the decision unanimous in favor of Heath, who has at this stage won 23 out of 27 outings.

The other bouts resulted as follow:

PRELIM—Mike Thomas 147, and Zeke Perez, 145½, drew, six rounds; Billy Murray, 145½, dec. Roy Taylor, 146, five rounds; Frankie Crawford dec. Ricardo Casas, 129, five rounds.

▸ Luis Rodriguez, leading contender for welterweight champion, Emile Griffith's crown, stopped Memo Ayon of Mexico at the Olympic Club in the third round. About 6800 fans paid $10,000 to see the Cuban, weighing 150½ to 160 for his opponent, win easily with a barrage of jabs that almost blinded the Mexican. Ayon was unable to come out for the fourth round, and Tommy Hart ruled it a technical knockout, in the third round.

Irish Jerry Quarry, 189, outweighed nine pounds, kept his clean record intact by knocking out Willie Davis, Los Angeles, in 1:43 of the third. It was the fifth victory for the Golden Glover from Paramount. He had Davis, weighing 198, down twice in the opening frame.

Henry Fox, 173½, Los Angeles, scored a split decision over Ernie Fiero, 173, Los Angeles and Charlie Jones, 159½, Los Angeles, won over Art Adams, 161, Seattle, by a unanimous decision.

▸ Richie (Sweet) Sue, 128½, pride of Portland, continued his victorious sweep by scoring his sixteenth successive win, this time a one-round knockout over Manuel Ochoa, 129, Mexico. On hand, a crowd of 3,800 at the Olympic Auditorium. The time: 2:47.

Sue is a Chinese-Irishman. Thirteen of his 16 foes have been flattened.

Irish Jerry Quarry, 187, Paramount, scored his third straight pro victory, beating Lance Holmberg, 189, Culver City, in the six-round semi-final. In another six-rounder, Irish Luke Smith, 129, Portland, decisioned Joe Padilla, 122, Denver. Smith is stablemate of Sue.

In the opener, Johnny Morrison, 146, L.A., scored a one-round knockout over Andres Herrera, 149, Mexico.

▸ Raul Rojas, undefeated featherweight, until he met Vicente Saldivar, 22-year-old world champion, got a bad break on his Mexican vacation. He picked up a virus, and will be out of business for about three months.

It came at a bad time. There was a match with Pajarito Moreno, which would have drawn a lot of money, in the offing.

Unless Moreno gets knocked off in the interim, it will still draw a ton of dough. Moreno has scored 15 straight kayos.

▸ Cisco Andrade, newest entry in the referee racket, bears the good-will of one and all. Cisco was a sergeant of engineers in World War II.

▸ Ricardo (Jajarito) Moreno, 128¼, Mexico, made it 15 straight knockouts at the Oakland Auditorium by scoring a third round TKO over Fernando Sota, of Oakland, 123, in a scheduled 10-rounder.

Vern Bybee, the referee, halted the action at 2:35, Round 3, apparently to give Sota a standing count. Sota was severely cut around the left eye in two places, and as Bybee stopped the fight, Sota's second leaped into the ring followed by two Moreno fans, who lifted Sota to their shoulders and carried him around.

▸ **SAN JOSE**—Alex Benitez, 121½, San Jose, knocked out Juan Baez, 120¼, Tijuana, 1.

▸ Delighted fans poured money into the ring at the Olympic Audtiorium, when Danny Valdez, 125¼, scored the unanimous decision over Mercer Smith, 126, in a 12-rounder, with the state featherweight title at stake. They fought like wildcats. It was Valdez's first fight since August 1964.

Referee Lee Grossman and Judge Tommy Hart both voted for Valdez, 8-4, and Judge John Thomas had Valdez in front, 10-3.

Dub Huntley, 161, KO (2) over Jimmy Rosette James, 162½; Irish Mike Thomas, 148, KO (2) over Manny Duran, 147, and Bobby Valdez, 127, KO (3) over Frankie Sedillo, 130.

▸ Joe Orbillo, 189, undefeated in six pro starts, remained that way by scoring a smashing seventh round kayo over Johnny Featherman, 185, in the Olympic here.

Orbillo is a student at Harbor Junior College, where he played football prior to entering the ring. Featherman has just completed his junior year at Arizona State University.

Orbillo turned pro in May, 1964, but has done most of his battling in 1965. Featherman has a good pro record.

There was one knockdown and it became a knockout in Round 7. Joe nailed Featherman with a left hook, followed up by a killing right hand in 2:27. Referee Joey Olmos counted him out.

Henry Armstrong presented his newest protege, Candee Barnes, 135½, and the kid did him proud by trouncing Irish Billy Coleman, 133½, in the 6-round semi. In five rounders, Manuel Reyes, 117, dec. Changa Munoz, 115; and Frankie Crawford, 128, dec. Victor Lopez, 126. It was Crawford's pro debut.

▸ Aileen Eaton, of Olympic, is making a big pitch for a Cassius Clay-George Chuvalo fight in L.A. She points out that Clay has had three local fights and scored kayos in all: George Logan, (4); Alejandro Lavorante, (5), and Archie Moore, (4). Clay was a recent visitor here.

NEW ORLEANS BOXING

By Ike Morales

Emile Bruneau disagrees with those who believe that a Federal boxing czar is needed to curb the sport's ills. The former chairman of the World Boxing Association's championship committee blasted pending legislation. In an interview with Bob Roesler, Times-Picayune sports editor, Bruneau said:

"The Harris (Oren Harris, D-Ark.) bill doesn't get to the roots of boxing problems."

The Harris bill doesn't get to the two problems facing boxing today. And neither has anything to do with collusion, racketeering, terrorism or anything like that.

"The two problems, as I see it are simple:

"1—Unsuitable opponents.

"2—A fighter having to prove himself."

"Why doesn't the Federal government leave law enforcement to the police. If boxing needs the long arm of the law let's dial police headquarters.

"Boxing is a lot cleaner sport than some people think. It's just as clean, maybe cleaner than some other sports. Look at the college basketball scandals. And you hear whispers about football.

"No boxing doesn't need a government-appointed ruler or a bill like Rep. Harris has introduced. Just find a man who has a deep knowledge of boxing. Then let him eliminate the problems I speak of."

▸ Ralph Dupas, 155, who retired from the ring several months ago, returned for a six-round exhibition against Grady Naylor, 155, of Tennessee on the Biloxi, Miss., card featuring Ray Willmore of New Orleans and Billy DePriest of Memphis.

Despite the "exhibition" tag, Dupas and Naylor tossed their best bombs at each other, and at the end of the fifth round. the referee declared Dupas the winner on a TKO. Ralph insisted that his exhibition would not lead to his ring comeback.

In the headliner, Willmore increased his record to 7-1 by belting out DePriest in the third round. Willmore floored DePriest in the third round when the referee halted the contest. Both, Willmore and DePriest weighed 153½ pounds.

Al Villafarra, veteran southpaw and stablemate of Dupas, returned to the ring after a long layoff to defeat Raymond Vegas in the eight-round semi-final. Vegas, was unable to cope with the southpaw shots of Villafarra, who hadn't boxed since 1963. Villafarra weighed 170 pounds, Vegas 169½.

The professional show was staged in the Biloxi Community Center under the promotion of Eddie Poe and the East Harrison Lions Club.

▸ Whitey Esneault, maker of ring champions and dean of Dixie fight managers, brought his team of 10 St. Mary's CYO glovers to Bay St. Louis, Miss., for a showdown, and when the smoke had cleared, each team had scored four victories.

In the headliner, Frank Misenhelter, St. Mary's bested Harvey Mitchell of the Mississippi group in an interesting three-rounder. The 150 pounders staged an exciting battle with Misenhelter landing the more telling blows.

▸ Oldtime boxing and wrestling fans mourned the passing recently of Capt. Arthur Marullo. A former police captain, Marullo died at the age of 85.

A former mat promoter, Marullo also managed his son, Tony in many of the latter's great fights. Tony Marullo, who was tagged "Tarzan" because of his stamina and endurance, boxed seven title-holders during his time, including among them Harry Greb, Paul Berlenbach and Jack Delaney.

The elder Marullo introduced Primo Carnera to New Orleans fans against Farmer Lodge on Feb. 17, 1930. Capt. Marullo also promoted numerous wrestling shows, bringing down such luminaries as Strangler Lewis, Jim Londos, Mike Romano and others of this calibre.

ALONG THE V.B.A. TRAIL
By Jack Larkin
Nat'l V.B.A. President

Billy Kilroy, former middleweight from Clifton, N.J., is a United States Marshal. Kilroy resigned as a Clifton policeman to take the job as Marshal. He is a member of Ring #9, of Passaic & Bergen Counties, N.J. Abe J. Greene, former N.B.A. boxing commissioner, Murray Goodman, former Madison Square Garden publicity man, Lou Duva, former boxer and now boxing promoter, in Paterson, N.J. and Johnny Sullo, nationally known second, and trainer of boxers, are all members of Ring #9.

Joe Shannon, past president of Ring #1, of Phila., Pa., is an artist and has drawn a picture of the late Harry Greb, and has been sending his friends one of them. Thanks for the picture Joe.

Don Sauer, Mass. referee, and one of the best, is a busy man these days, with writing for five weekly papers, throughout the world. Don is a member of Ring #4 of Boston, Mass., he is a former United States Navy and welterweight champion.

President Joe Heirty, of Ring #4, of Boston has named Eddie Milson, former lightweight contender, to be the chairman of its big monster sport night which will be held soon in one of the bigger hotels in Boston.

To James McElroy, of 172 West Dickson, San Antonio, Texas: Tippy Larkin's right name is Anthony Pelliteri. He was born in Garfield, N.J., and now lives in Passaic, N.J. He was managed first by this writer. Then, after 29 pro fights, he went with someone else.

To Frankie Jayne, Plymouth, Pa. The officers of V.B.A. Ring #1, of Phila., Pa., are as follows: Tony Strazzeri, pres., Joe Conroy v-pres., Billy King, Sec., Al Frazee, Treasurer, Joe McMullen, sgt-at-arms. Board of directors: Joe McGuigan, chairman, Mike Schuman, Dave Ferris, Benny Kauffman, Jack Sebation, Joe Egan, Tony Morgano, Al Monahan, and Johnny Clark. They have been together since 1936. Hdqt., at 1429 W. Girard Ave., Phila., Pa.

Guy Turpin, president of Ring #1, of Texas, says that he will accept another number when they join the Nat'l organization. Turpin, an ex-boxer, at one time managed some of the best fighters out West. Some of the fighters he manager were: Bobby Waugh, Phil Knight, Bobby Green, Danny Goodman, Indian Joe Gregg and Australian Jack Read, he was the Southwest representative of W. L. (Young) Stribling.

Tommy Ross, ex-Newark, N.J., boxer and trainer of many fighters in the Newark area, is now living in Miami Beach, Fla. He runs Chris Dundee's gym in Miami Beach. Ross, while in the army in World War II, was the boxing coach at Fort Bragg, N.C. Tommy will organize a veteran boxers club in Miami Beach along with Hank Kaplan, Lou Gross, Jimmy White, Benny Nabors and Barney Felix.

Benny Nabors writes and tells us he will run spot boxing shows in a small town in Fla., called "The Little River." Nabors says he will get a TV sponsor for the shows.

Joey Randazzo, former Clifton featherweight who fought in the middle 30's, has written a book called, "The Select Sports Book Service". Joey a horse handicapper, goes under the name of J. J. Randy, and has offices in New York and Clifton, N.J.

Bobby Nichols, former Hackensack lightweight, has a son, Bobby Jr., who boxes in P.A.L., and Boys Club bouts. He has won seven in a row. Jr. weighs 75 lbs. He is the champion of the Garfield Boys Club, in his weight. Bobby Nichols is the boxing coach at the Boys Club of Garfield, N.J.

Carlos Chavez, former lightweight champion of California, is playing movie bits and has been seen on TV picture many times on the big show of the night.

Jersey Jones, looked fit as a fiddle when he attended Ring #9 branch meeting recently in Garfield, N.J., with his lovely wife who is with him at all times. Two boys who fought back in 1932 met for the first time since their fight in old Belmont Park, in Garfield, N.J. They were Charlie Blood and Joey Doyle, former lightweights, now weighing 180 lbs. each. Both became members of Ring #9.

1965 National VBA convention, October 1-2-3. Your hosts: Old Time Boxers Assn. of Lehigh Valley Ring # 23, NVBA, Suite 125; Americus Hotel, Allentown, Pa. Meet: Your friends in the All-American City, Penna. Dutch hospitality at its best. Charles W. Ettinger, ex-sec. of the Nat'l. VBA, is the chairman, and Joseph "Pep" Barone, Battling Odin co-chairmen.

Claude Hammond, former Southern lightweight, who came East to box, now lives in Jersey City, where he has a luncheonette. He is a member of Ring #14 of Hudson County.

President George J. Larkin of Ring #9, of Passaic and Bergen Counties, will ask the board of directors of the Nat'l. that the 1966 convention be brought to Paterson, N.J.

Young Jeff, who fought out of Hudson County, and a member of Ring #14 & 9, has lost the sight of his left eye. Young Jeff, whose right name is Michael Pappa, once received a newspaper decision over the late Johnny Dundee.

Patrick E. Tedesco, of Ring #9, is a former intercollegiate wrestling champion. Tedesco wrestled at Rider College of Trenton, N.J. Pat still holds the worlds speed record. Tedesco holds a doctors degree, also graduated Montclairs State Teachers College. He taught at Bangor High School and Waynesboro High in Pa., where he also coached football, track, and wrestling. Today Dr. Tedesco is the supervisor of Lodi High School in Lodi, N.J.

Tedesco's son, Garry, was shot to death by two hoodlums a few years ago in the line of duty as a Lodi policeman. Young Garry did some amateur boxing and would have turned professional but decided to go on the police force. Garry sparred with Vince Marinez and Charlie Fusari, while boxing as an amateur.

Don Sauer, New England's finest referee, is singing the praise of young Teddy Whitfield, New England's latest welterweight sensation who has not lost a fight since turning pro. "He boxes like Sugar Ray Robinson, and right now knows every trick in the game," says Sauer. Whitfield recently defeated the veteran Philadelphian fighter Charley Scott in 10 rounds at the Boston Garden. Whitfield also holds a decision over Gasper Ortega, the Indian from out West.

Hank Kaplan visited his sister in New York City this summer, and also went to see his old friend, Battling Odin Dudrich, in Passaic, N.J. Hank makes his home in Miami Beach, Fla., and comes to New York four or five times a year.

President George J. Larkin of Ring #9 of Passaic and Bergen Counties sits with former heavyweight contender Tony Galento at organization's branch meeting. Behind them are Jimmy Phillips and Murray Flicker. Phillips is a former N.J. welter and Flicker boxed in N.Y. amateur circles.

DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By Al Fenn

They aren't watching boxing on TV, so they are coming out to the arenas to see it, which is fine with promoters, Ariz. Sports Enterprises, Inc.

Manny Elia's figured in two fights at Sportatorium this summer. Elias, 116, won a 12-round decision from Lenny Brice, 115. It was a state championship match.

In other action, Manny Hernandez, 159, Ajo, Ariz., won a TKO from Billy Raye, 156, Phoenix in two. Alton Colter, 132, stopped Joe Mendoza, 137, Nogales in the third. Sam Pride, 200, Phoenix, decisioned Cliff Gray, 216, Tucson in a six-round slugfest.

Elias came back to Sportatorium and the ever-swinging "Torito" pounded out a 10-round decision over Norman Parra, 119, San Diego. Elias weighed 120 for this one. It was an all-action fight from bell-to-bell. The scoring went thusly: referee R. Yanez, 99-96, Steve Conners, 100-95, and Art Van Haren Jr., 99-96—all for Elias.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

Back in the 1930's when Max Baer ruled the heavyweight roost, a doughboy, John "Corn" Griffin, of Fort Benning and Columbus, Georgia, was plying the same trade with success. A step or two and he would be knocking on Maxie's door. The knock never came. A dock worker from New Jersey, Jim Braddock quickly stopped Griffin's march. Eventually Braddock was to reljeve Baer of his crown. Today, Griffin lives on a 60 acre farm, which he owns in West Florida.

▸ The only sign of any boxing here-abouts in Jacksonville are the amateur shows conducted each week at the Beach by Johnny Joca. He believes a steady menu each Thursday at the Jacksonville Beach Bandshell stimulates interest in the sport, and judging by his attendance Joca is 100% right.

▸ Former Southern favorite Frankie Minerva, now in Uncle Sam's Army, drops word from Korea. Frankie is heading home to Columbia, South Carolina, and then reassignment in Europe. Minerva did a wonderful job at Fort Jackson before the Korean jaunt and one of his charges Gene Young, a featherweight, now out of the Army, is campaigning professionally in and around Canton and Steubenville.

▸ Jacksonville boxing manager Johnny Rushing may re-open the former Sam Boardman Gym. With Tim Ford, a popular welterweight heading the Rushing stable, Johnny has out-of-town action for his glovers and naturally a gym is essential.

▸ My very loyal friend Pat O'Malley, a popular boxing manager and trainer from Miami, keeps this column posted on the news and activity down there, which we sure appreciate.

▸ Answering Anthony Mitchell, of Marrero, Louisiana: Your request for boxing photos of Jacksonville fighters has been turned over to those you mentioned. They will be mailed to you.

▸ Sugar Cliff, a winning welterweight of Manager Jim Brady, may go against a top name soon, writes Brady from Fort Lauderdale, possibly Emile Griffith. The last win for Cliff at this writing, was that over Tom Dennis, in a 10 rounder at Miami Beach

▸ Manager Don Andrich will not hesitate to tell you he has the future light-heavyweight champion of the world in Ronnie "Whirlwind" Asher, of Wheeling, West Virginia. Don would like to show his fighter, who has 19 wins in 21 times up, to Floridians. Unfortunately, the boxing game in Florida is at its deadest.

▸ Dick Kondracki, of Sanford, Florida has the fight game in his heart. His letter reveals these words, "It's the greatest sport known to man," plus fine mention of THE RING MAGAZINE. Dick has a yen to box and is a welterweight with a good left jab and hook.

READ THE RING

PACKEY O'GATTY'S CHIT-CHAT

(Continued from page 62)

Israel's sole member of the World Boxing Historians' Ass'n, informs us that he has one of the largest collections of boxing lore, etc., in Tel Aviv . . . The last National VBA 1964 convention held in Philadelphia was a floperoo, with a $600 loss!!

WILLIE RITCHIE, ex-world lightweight champion, 75 years young and looking the picture of health. Out in Millbrae, California, he keeps busy gardening, and plays golf, 18 holes . . . Ritchie, one of the great champions of his day, lost his title to Freddy Welsh, by one point. At the end of the 19th round the score was even 81½ points each. The final score at the end of the 20th round was Welsh 86½ points and Ritchie 85½. Referee Eugene Corri, raised Welsh's hand as the winner and new world lightweight champ. Ritchie-Welsh bout was fought at Olympia, London, England, July 7, 1914 . . . In a return bout, 10 rounds no decision, at old Madison Square Garden, in New York City, which I saw from up in the gallery, on March 11, 1915, Ritchie chased Welsh from pillar to post, at championship weight. Bob Edgreen, wrote: "Ritchie defeated Welsh last night in every minute of every round and it is impossible to figure how Welsh could defeat Ritchie in their London bout in 1 or 1000 rounds.

Ex-world middleweight champion Dick Tiger's faithful and well liked trainer Jimmy August, passed on suddenly from a heart attack . . . Also, Paul Damski, at the age of 70, at the Jewish Memorial Hospital. I recall when Damski first arrived here from Germany in the early 20's. He boxed under the name of "Paul Sampson". Then he returned and became a manager and promoter. He was known three decades ago as the "Tex Rickard of Europe", where he promoted some of Max Schmeling's early fights in Berlin. When he came back to America, he managed Gunner Burland, Johnny Colan and other pugs.

Al Wolgast, president of the independent Ring #5, at Farrell, Pa., has graciously sent your truly a photostat copy of their Charter of Veteran Boxers' Association of Shenango Valley, signed by George H. Rowley, P.J. in the Court of Common Pleas, of Mercer County, Pa., 12th of May, A.D. 1947. Also, Wolgast informs us that their Ring #5 number was given to them by the Philadelphia group in 1948!

The Eleventh Annual Dinner-Dance given by the VBA Ring #14 of Hudson County, at Sophie's Greenville Gardens, Jersey City, N. J. was attended by 250. Lud Shabazian, popular sports cartoonist-editor of the Hudson Dispatch, did the honors as emcee. Lud, and local ex-boxers Tony Melore, Babe Orlando and Tony Cals presented the trophies to their hon-

Former middleweight king Sugar Ray Robinson takes a solid left hook thrown by Ferd Hernandez during 10-rounder at Las Vegas. Hernandez emerged victorious by virtue of a split nod. A crowd of 1200 watched the bout.

ored club members—Kid Taylor (Martin Tarzian), Allie Todisco, Mickey Esposito and Willie White . . . Among the invited guests sitting at the dais were—Tony Galento, Paul Berlenbach, Packey O'Gatty, Frankie Nelson, Tippy Larkin, Willie La Morte and Bronx Jimmy Kelly . . . A very touching part took place before Stanley Poreda presented Esposito with his trophy. He told how this World War II National hero of the Battle of the Bulge, Battle of St. Lo and hero of Huertgen Forest (formerly Black Forest) with 7500 casualties, was very lucky to be alive. Esposito was awarded two Purple Hearts and numerous other decorations.

Kid Taylor, former contender for the bantamweight title, who was a WW I war hero, was given a fine send-off by Lud . . . Among the many present were: A.A.U. Commissioner Al Bundy, Rosey of the Bayonne-Times, Chief of Police Tommy Dunn, Judge George Greene, Young Rector (ex-Captain Owen J. McCabe), Duke Stefano, East Harlem's Willie Mack, Battling Walker, Freddie Feducci, Walter Galli, Willie O'Connell, Dominick Gemma, Johnny Drummie, Bucky Keyes, Eddie Ran, Lew Snyder, Battling Odin Dudrich, Charlie Wepner with his heavyweight son Chuck Wepner, Oscar Kid Sokolow, Willie Annese, Rocco Biase, Billy Richie De Venti, Danny Lewis and others.

The gathering was entertained by Freddie Allen's jazzy band. Nicky Arnone, with his motion picture camera, took shots of the affair. The late immortal Johnny Dundee's daughter Lucille Carrara, was introduced, and was given a swell ovation . . . The youngster Robert Gillen, who won Ring #14's one hundred dollar bond in the best essay "What Father's Day Means To Me," was presented and read his winning letter. It was the 40th wedding anniversary of the Lud Shabazians, and also the 28th wedding anniversary of Ring #14's past president the Willie Macks.

ON THE STRIP
By Rich Howard

Four-and-a-half years and 35 fights after his losing battle to Gene Fullmer for the latter's "piece" of the middleweight title, Ray Robinson returned to a Las Vegas ring— and lost again.

He wasn't fighting a Gene Fullmer this time; he was fighting a 24-year-old state middleweight champion named Ferd Hernandez. Five years ago, Sugar Ray undoubtedly would have eaten this youngster alive. Even now, on a good night, Robinson probably could take him. But when a man is 44 years old, he doesn't have seven good nights a week anymore.

Ray looked tired. He was in superb condition, to be sure; but he just looked tired. He was like a man who watched the late movie and then got up a five a.m. to go to work. Even so, he did rip home a left hook in round one that staggered and momentarily hurt Fernandez.

It was the same kind of left hook that knocked Fullmer unconscious in 1957. Except that on this night, luckily for Hernandez, it was a tired left hook. The blow was the closest thing to a knockout punch that would be thrown for the rest of the fight.

Hernandez was cautious throughout the first half of the affair. He looked nervous, a little apprehensive, as a man should look when he enters the ring with the fifth greatest middleweight who ever lived—even if he is 44 years old. It took Hernandez all of five rounds to overcome his natural reluctance and begin peak performance. Then, like Fullmer had done, Hernandez bulled Robinson into the ropes and hammered away at whatever part of Ray he could legally hit. This kind of treatment naturally added considerably to Ray's fatigue.

Robinson slowed down in the final rounds. Ray was glad when it was all over.

Robinson's performance earned him quite a few votes. Both local newspapers thought he had won; United Press International thought he had won; Jimmy (The Greek) Snyder, an oddsmaker of considerable reknown, thought he had won; and one judge, Mike Petrovich, thought he had won.

Hernandez, however, received the two votes that counted most, those of judge Dave Pearl and Fred Glass, to give the local boy an official majority vote for a split decision. Hernandez weighed 159¾ to Robinson's 160.

Twelve hundred fans turned out for the battle, the largest crowd ever for the Strip's "Fight of the Week." Which only goes to prove that there is still a lot of magic in the name Sugar Ray Robinson—even on a tired night.

▸ In other main events this month, The Ring's fifth ranked junior welterweight, Adolph Pruitt, from St. Louis, Mo., easily outpointed Johnny Brooks, Henderson, Nev., over ten rounds. Pruitt, who is managed by former ring great Henry Armstrong, used a spectacular left hook to bloody Brooks' nose and generally run circles around him to capture a unanimous decision. Pruitt was 139½ to Brooks' 142.

Brooks came back two weeks later and six pounds heavier at 148, to take the unanimous verdict in ten over less talented Kid Rayo, 150, of Los Angeles.

In the other main event of the month, Robinson's conqueror, Ferd Hernandez, at 159, won unanimously over Mexican middleweight champ Aristeo Chaverin, 160, of Mexico City. Chaverin, in losing, did accomplish two things Sugar Ray had been unable to do, however; he dropped Hernandez for an eight-count in the fourth round, and kept his nose bleeding for the last half of the fight. Even so, his opponent won the fight by two points on all cards.

▸ In preliminary action this month, Pulgo Ferrano, 150, Los Angeles, and Polo Coronna, 147, from Mexico, put on a sensational eight-round battle that prompted fans to deluge the ring with money when it was over. Ferrano won the unanimous decision.

Jimmy Feaster, 135, Las Vegas, decisioned Bobby Delano, 138, Los Angeles, and John Cushman, 140, of Reno, both in five.

Bobby Allen, 133, Las Vegas, beat Jerry Stevens, 133, Los Angeles, in five; lost to Johnny Quintella, 135, Los Angeles, in six; and drew with Manny Guillatt, 134, Carson City, in another five.

Charley Harvey, 141, Los Angeles, stopped Albert Harriman, 141, Los Angeles, on a TKO in one, then drew with Leo Glover, 142, Los Angeles, in five. Johnny Morrison, 149, Los Angeles, halted Armand Laurence, 148, Las Vegas, on another TKO in four.

Finally, after twelve rounds of boxing, we still do not know which is the better man between Lucio Arreola, 135, of Las Vegas, and Candy Barnes, 135, of Los Angeles. The two have battled to a pair of six-round draws and appear to be perfectly matched in every respect.

▸ The Strip "Fight of the Week" has been shifted to Monday nights on a permanent basis now.

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